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Hana & Hina

AFTER ♡ SCHOOL



Best Friends Forever?

The girls are all kinds of nervous as Hana heads over to visit Hina's house for the first time. Things get off to a good start—Hina even opens up about her mysterious friend—but the day takes an unexpected turn when they accidentally take a nap...*together!* Yet when Hana starts investigating Hina's past friendship, their *own* bond turns sour. Is the damage beyond repair—or is there still hope for their relationship?

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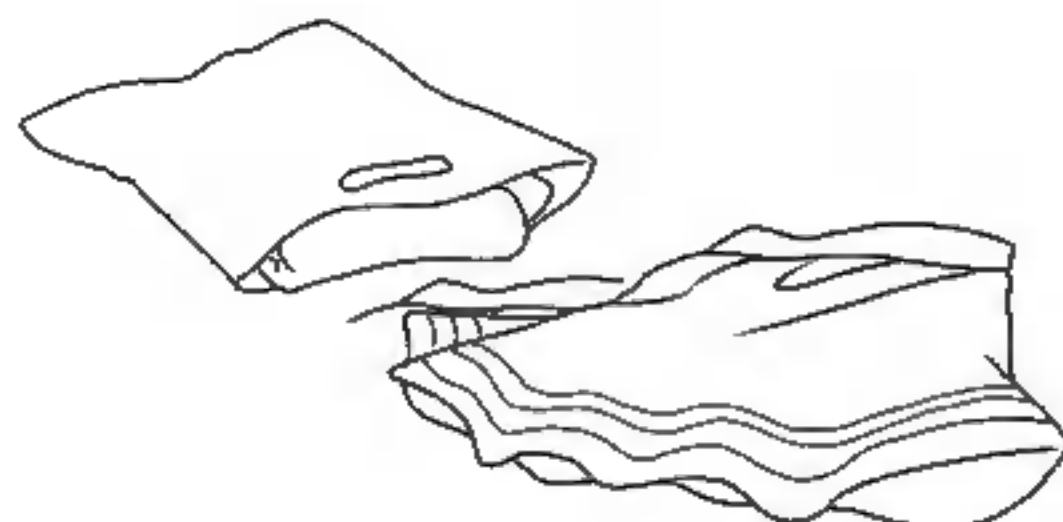
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YOUR FATHER
WAS LOOKING
AT THEM, SO
THE CAMERA
SHOULD BE ON
THE TABLE.

WHAT?!
WHY'D YOU
TAKE A
PICTURE
OF THAT?!

OH, I
WANT TO
SEE THE
OTHER
PICTURES,
THOUGH!

I EVEN
SNAPPED A
PICTURE OF
YOU WHEN
YOU FELL
DURING THE
RELAY...

WELL,
YOU DID
WORK
HARD AT
FIELD
DAY!

AH,
HERE
IT IS!



WHAT?
SHE'S A
FIRST-
YEAR?

SHE'S A
FASHION
MODEL!
WELL, I
GUESS SHE
QUIT, BUT...

A MODEL?
SO THAT'S
WHY SHE
LOOKS SO
GROWN-UP.

GOODNESS,
THAT SENPAI
WHO WAS WITH
YOU WHEN
YOU FELL IS
GORGEOUS,
ISN'T SHE?

SHE'S NOT
MY SENPAI,
SHE'S MY
KOUHAI!



OH, AND
I'LL BE
HOME LATE
TODAY, SO
MAKE SURE
YOU WALK
SANGO
FOR ME!

HERE,
GO BUY
SOME
SWEETS
TO TAKE
WITH
YOU!

PAFF



IN FACT,
I'M GOING
OVER TO
HER HOUSE
TODAY!

YOU'RE
WHAT?!
YOU HAVE
TO TELL
ME THESE
THINGS
SOONER!

OH,
BUT SHE'S
SUPER
NICE! WE
WORK
TOGETHER
AT THE
STORE!



WELL, I GUESS I STILL HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO COOK SOMETHING ELSE.

MAYBE I'LL MAKE SOME PANCAKES! YOU WANT SOME, SANGO?

WOOF!

OH MAN! THIS WAS THE LAST PIECE OF BREAD, TOO...



WUGH...

SIZZLE

AWWW, C'MON! I JUST TOLD YOU I'M GOING OUT TODAY!

KA-CHAK

SEE YOU TONIGHT! BYE-BYE, SANGO! BE GOOD!

SLAM

HM?



AHA HA! THIS PICTURE'S AWFUL!

I GUESS BLOOMERS AREN'T A GOOD LOOK AFTER ALL...

SMOLDER
SMOLDER

HMM, WHAT SHOULD I WEAR TODAY? HINA-CHAN'S ALWAYS SO FASHIONABLE, SO...

OH, I CAN'T DECIDE!

WHISK
WHISK

AAACK!

Z
Z
Z

I BURNED IT AGAIN! NOOOO!









IT'S...
A-AMAZING
...!

WHOA!



I ACTUALLY
HID ABOUT
HALF
OF THEM
IN MY
CLOSET...

YOU
HAVE A
LOT OF
PLUSHIES
AND
MERCH,
HUH?

I... I
GUESS
SO...



I'M...
THE
ONLY
ONE.

OH...
REALLY?



AND YOU'RE
THE
FIRST
OF MY
CURRENT
FRIENDS,
SO...

YOU'RE
ONLY THE
SECOND
PERSON
I'VE HAD
OVER.

I BET YOUR
FRIENDS ARE
ALL SHOCKED
WHEN THEY
COME OVER,
HUH?

WOOOW!
HEE
HEE!



I CAN'T
HAVE THEM
OVER HERE!
THEY DON'T
KNOW I
LIKE THIS
KIND OF
STUFF.

YOU'RE
THE ONLY
ONE WHO
KNOWS...

REALLY?
WHAT ABOUT
THE GIRLS IN
YOUR CLASS
AND STUFF?



HMM?
OH, IT'S
FINE.
REALLY.

IT
HURTS
TO WEAR
HEELS,
BUT
OTHER
THAN
THAT...

I'VE STILL
GOT A
COMPRESS
ON IT. BUT
THAT'S IT

NO, NO,
IT'S FINE!
YOUR
LEG'S
HURT,
AFTER
ALL!

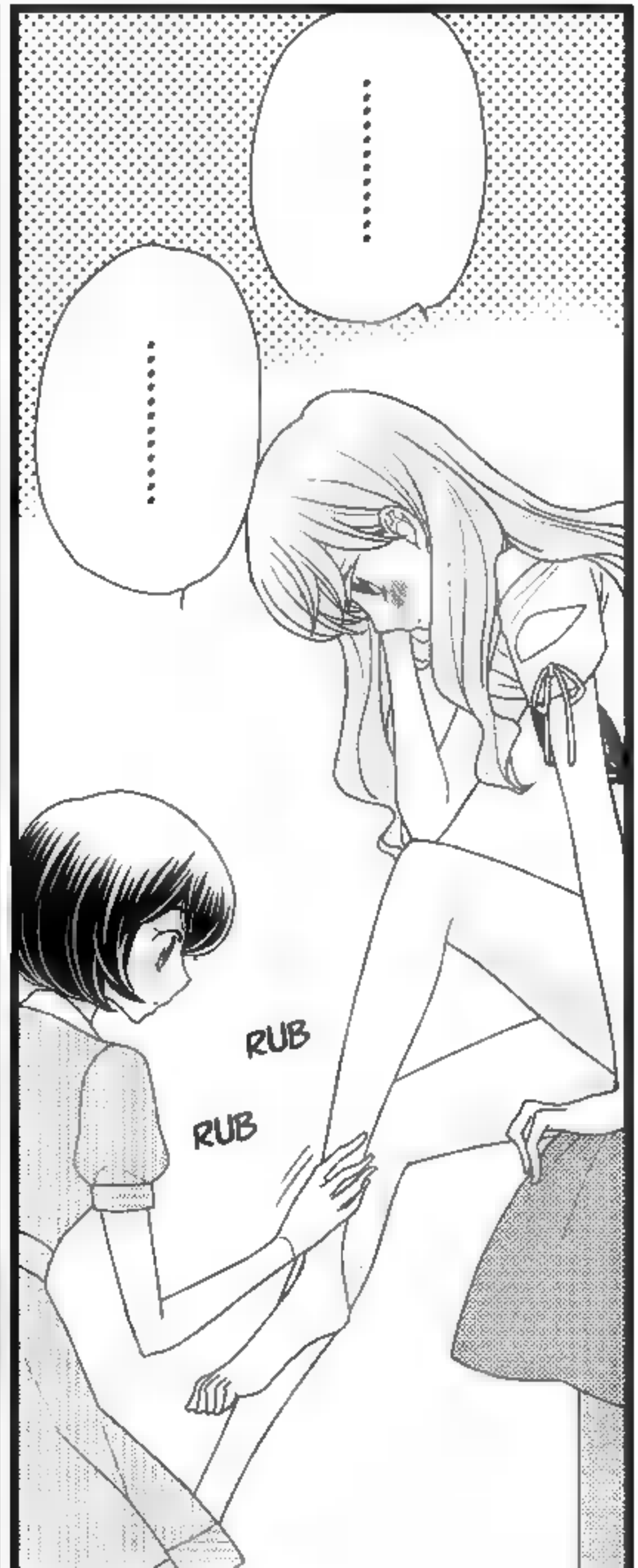
WHAT?! YOU
SHOULDN'T
BE WEARING
HEELS! ARE
YOU SURE WE
SHOULDN'T
GO TO THE
HOSPITAL?



OH, TH-
THANK
YOU! I'LL
GO PUT
ON SOME
TEA.

OH,
RIGHT! I
BROUGHT
SWEETS.

THESE
ARE
FROM
MY
MOM.





WHEN YOU SAID YOU WERE HAVING YOUR SENPAI OVER, I WAS SURE IT WAS GONNA BE A GUY.

HUH?
OOOOH,
PARDON
ME!

H-HEY!!
AREN'T
YOU SUP-
POSED
TO BE AT
COLLEGE
TODAY,
SIS?!



YOU'RE
A TOTALLY
DIFFERENT
TYPE FROM
HINAKO,
AREN'T
'CHA? SO
CUTE!

I CAN
HOOK
YOU UP,
TOO IF
YOU WANT,
"SENPAI."

AARGH!!
GET OUT
ALREADY!!

WANT
ME TO
SET YOU
UP?

YOU
REALLY
CAN'T GET
A BOY-
FRIEND,
CAN
YOU?

SHE'S
MY
SENPAI
AT
WORK,
TOO!

DIDN'T
YOU SAY
IT WAS
A SENPAI
FROM
WORK?

I GO
TO AN
ALL-GIRLS'
SCHOOL!

AWWWW...



HINA-
CHAN
SEEMS
LIKE A
LITTLE
KID WHEN
SHE'S WITH
HER BIG
SISTER...

JUST
GO TO
SCHOOL!
GO!
NOW!

I JUST
DON'T WANT
YOUR FIRST
BOYFRIEND
TO BE SOME
TRASHY
DUDE,
HINAKO!

BYE-BYE!
YOU KIDS
HAVE FUN
NOW!

SHOVE
SHOVE
/ / /

I-I'LL
BE RIGHT
BACK
WITH THE
TEA!

HEE
HEE!



UM... /

SHE WAS
AFRAID
YOU WERE
DATING A
"TRASHY
DUDE."

AW,
SHE'S
JUST
~~SCARED~~ED
ABOUT
YOU!

HONESTLY!

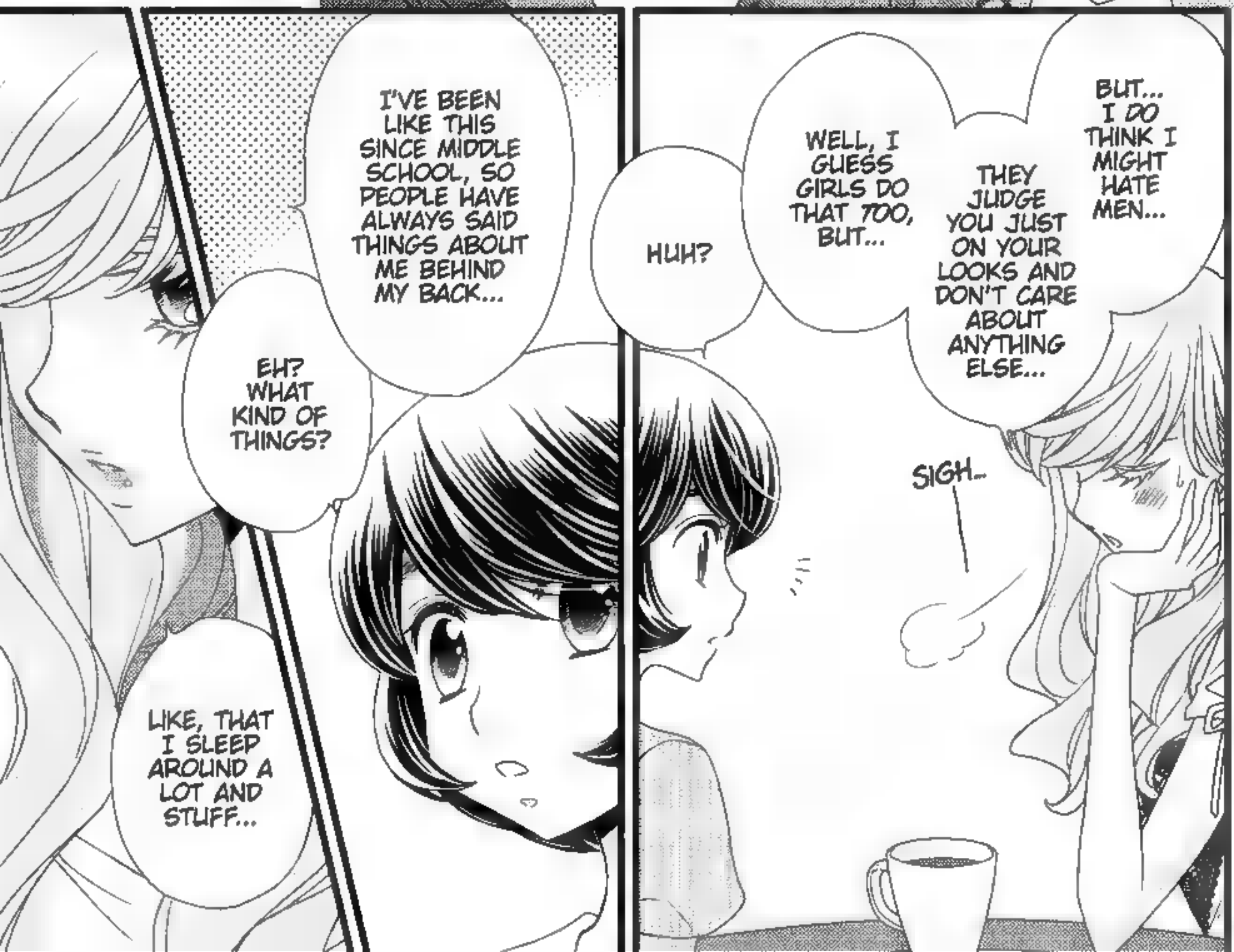
I'M
SOOOO
SORRY
ABOUT
THAT...

WHATEVER!

I'M NOT
EVEN
INTER-
ESTED IN
GUYS!

AH!
NO,
NO!

I-I
DIDN'T
MEAN
IT LIKE
THAT!



I'VE BEEN
LIKE THIS
SINCE MIDDLE
SCHOOL, SO
PEOPLE HAVE
ALWAYS SAID
THINGS ABOUT
ME BEHIND
MY BACK...

HUH?

WELL, I
GUESS
GIRLS DO
THAT TOO,
BUT...

THEY
JUDGE
YOU JUST
ON YOUR
LOOKS AND
DON'T CARE
ABOUT
ANYTHING
ELSE...

BUT...
I DO
THINK I
MIGHT
HATE
MEN...

SIGH...

EH?
WHAT
KIND OF
THINGS?

LIKE, THAT
I SLEEP
AROUND A
LOT AND
STUFF...



OR, LIKE,
THEY SAW
ME ON THE
STREETS AT
NIGHT... SO I
MUST BE AN
ESCORT OR
SOMETHING.

YOU
KNOW,
THE
USUAL.

IT'S NO
BIG DEAL.
NO MATTER
WHAT
PEOPLE
SAY...

I WANT
TO WEAR
WHAT I
WANT,
SO...

WHAT?!
THAT'S
AWFUL!



HEY, ARE
THERE ANY
PICTURES OF
YOU FROM
MIDDLE
SCHOOL?
LIKE IN A
YEARBOOK
OR SOME-
THING?

I WANT
TO SEE
YOUNG
HINA-
CHAN!

WHAT?
F-FOR
REAL?!

FOR
REAL!
C'MON,
SHOW
ME!



M-MY
HAIR WAS
WEIRD
BACK
THEN AND
STUFF...

PROMISE
NOT TO
LAUGH,
OKAY?

OOH!
SO
CUTE!

I-IT'S
NOT CUTE
AT ALL.
I WAS
SO FAT...

YOU'RE
NOT FAT
AT ALL!
IF THIS
IS FAT,
WHAT DOES
THAT MAKE
ME?



I BET
I'M THE
ONLY ONE
AT OUR
SCHOOL...

WHO'S
SEEN
THIS SIDE
OF HINA-
CHAN.

A
HINA-
CHAN
THAT I
DIDN'T
KNOW...

ONE
THAT'S
JUST A
BIT MORE
CHILDISH
THAN SHE
IS NOW.



SHE
WAS...

MY BEST
FRIEND.

WE WENT
TO GRADE
SCHOOL
TOGETHER,
TOO...



YOU
TWO
SEEM
A LOT
ALIKE...

EVEN
YOUR
HAIR IS
SIMILAR!

CUTE!



AH!

WHO'S
THIS GIRL?
YOU TWO
ARE IN
ALMOST
EVERY PHOTO
TOGETHER!

THAT'S
A FRIEND
OF MINE.



THIS GIRL...
SHE TOLD
ME THE
SAME THING
YOU DID,
HANA-SAN.

WELL...
SHE
TRANS-
FERRED
SCHOOLS.

BUT YOU
ENDED
UP AT
DIFFERENT
HIGH
SCHOOLS?

OH,
REALLY?
YOU
MUST'VE
BEEN
LONELY.

THAT IT'S
NOT WEIRD
FOR ME TO
LIKE CUTE
THINGS.



"IT'S
NORMAL
FOR GIRLS
TO LIKE
CUTE
STUFF!"

"THEY'RE
JUST
JEALOUS
OF YOU,
HINAKO-
CHAN!"

"HINAKOOO,
LOOK! LET'S
ENTER
TOGETHER!"

SHE'S THE
ONE WHO
GOT ME INTO
MODELING.
WE DID THAT
TOGETHER,
TOO.

SHE
OPENED
UP A
WHOLE
NEW WORLD
FOR ME.



WE
PROMISED
WE'D BE
FRIENDS
FOREVER...

"LET'S
BE BEST
FRIENDS
FOREVER,
OKAY?"

BACK THEN,
SHE CAME
OVER ALL
THE TIME AND
WE'D HANG
OUT HERE,
IN MY
ROOM.





WIGGLES!

THAT'S ACTUALLY JUST A WIG.

AH!
YOU HAD SHORT HAIR? WHEN WAS THIS?

THAT'S AMAZING!

OH, I SAW THIS PICTURE ONLINE! IT'S SO CUTE!

WAIT, YOU LOOKED ME UP?!

FOR SOME REASON...

WOW, NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, I TOTALLY SEE IT! HA HA HA!

IT MADE ME FEEL A LITTLE BETTER.

SEEING THE PICTURES I SAW ONLINE...

AND NEW PHOTOS OF THE HINA-CHAN I KNOW...

TO BE HONEST, THIS OUTFIT HERE IS ACTUALLY...

A SECRET ~~FUTURERO~~-CHAN COSPLAY.

COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU HAD THAT POKOTAN OUTFIT, TOO.

THANK YOU!

CHAK
カ
チ
ン

AH, OF COURSE! IF YOU GO BACK DOWNSTAIRS, IT'S RIGHT BY THE FRONT HALL.

OH, HEY...

COULD I USE YOUR BATHROOM?





I HOPE
I DIDN'T
SAY
ANYTHING
WEIRD...

WHAT
SHOULD
WE DO
NEXT?

I WONDER
IF HANA-SAN
LIKES VIDEO
GAMES...



HANA-SAN,
RIGHT
HERE IN
MY ROOM...
GOTTA BE
COOL!

AHHH!
I CAN'T
BELIEVE
THIS IS
REALLY
HAPPENING!

FWLIMP



OH, I
KNOW! I'LL
ASK HER IF
SHE WANTS
TO TAKE
A PICTURE
TOGETHER
...

TO
COMMEN-
ORATE
HER
COMING
OVER...

OR
WOULD
THAT BE
WEIRD...?

HMM...



HEY,
HINA-CHAN,
IS THAT
PHOTO
IN THE
BATH-
ROOM...

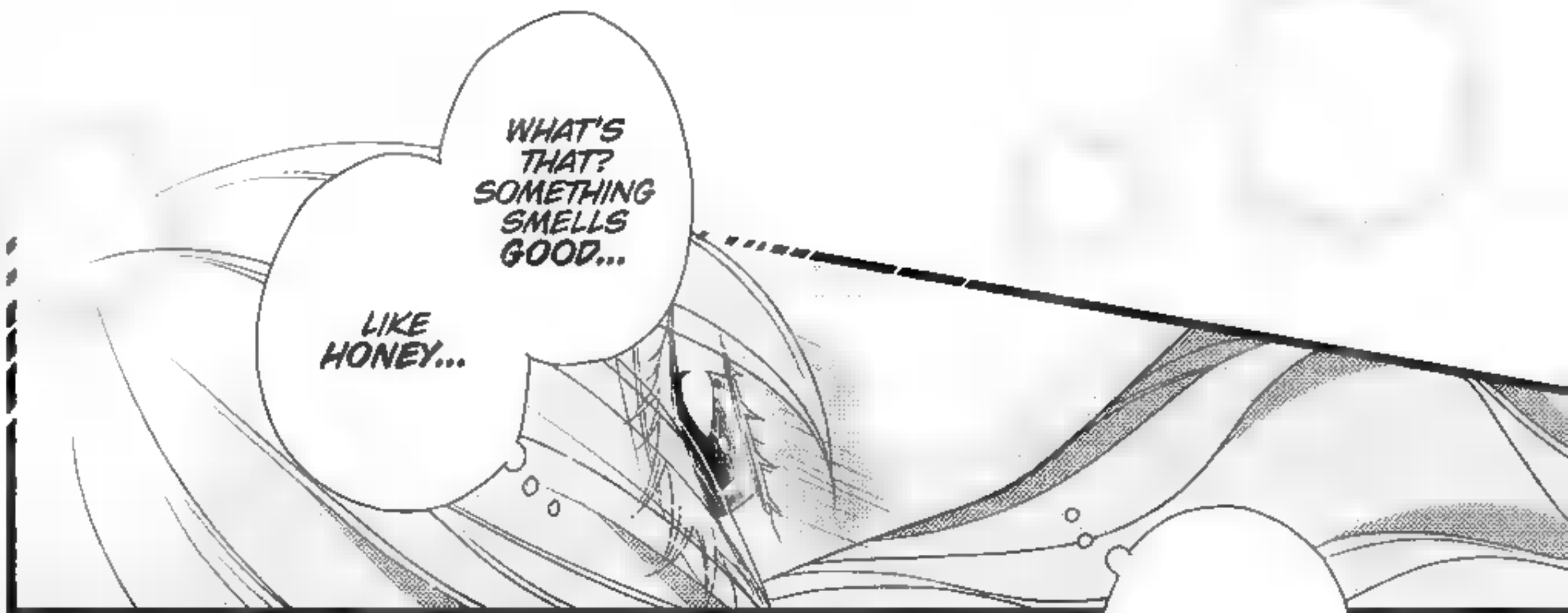
KA-CHAK





GOOD
GIRL,
GOOD
GIRL...









OKAY!

OH,
I KNOW!
YOU SHOULD
COME OVER
TO MY
PLACE
NEXT TIME!

OKAY?
SEE YOU!
BYE!

OH,
I KNOW!
YOU SHOULD
COME OVER
TO MY
PLACE
NEXT TIME!

OKAY?
SEE YOU!
BYE!

OKAY!

OH,
I KNOW!
YOU SHOULD
COME OVER
TO MY
PLACE
NEXT TIME!

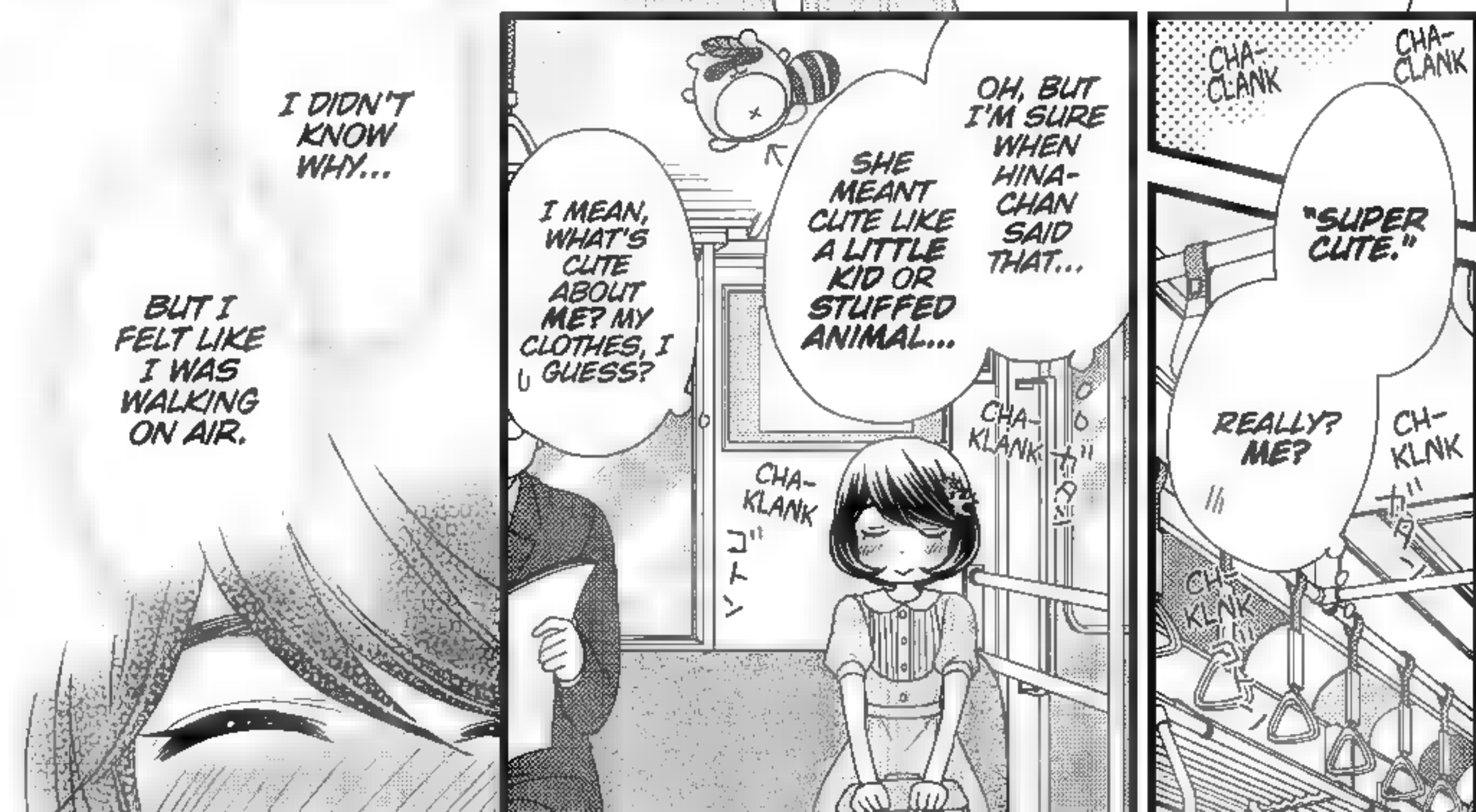
OKAY?
SEE YOU!
BYE!



I'M SURE
SHE'S ON
THE TRAIN
NOW...

WAAAAH!
I HOPE
MOM
HASN'T
GOTTEN
BACK
HOME
YET...

HANA-
SAN!





AND
YET...

A LOT
OF
FUN!

THIS
WHOLE
DAY
WAS...

I GET
IT,
I GET
IT!

I'M
SORRY,
SANGO!
TIME FOR
A WALK,
RIGHT?

SHE WAS
MY BEST
FRIEND...
WE WERE
ALWAYS
TOGETHER...

FOR
SOME
REASON...

I FEEL
KINDA
BAD.





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AFTER ♡ SCHOOL



YEAH,
FOR
SURE...

UH,
HASEKAWA-
SAN? ARE
YOU EVEN
LISTENING?

CAN'T
BELIEVE
I HURT
MYSELF
AT A FIELD
DAY...HOW
ABOUT YOU,
HASEKAWA-
SAN?

YEAH,
FOR
SURE...



UGH, IT
HURTS
EVERY TIME
I WALK UP
THE STAIRS.
I MUST'VE
PULLED A
MUSCLE!

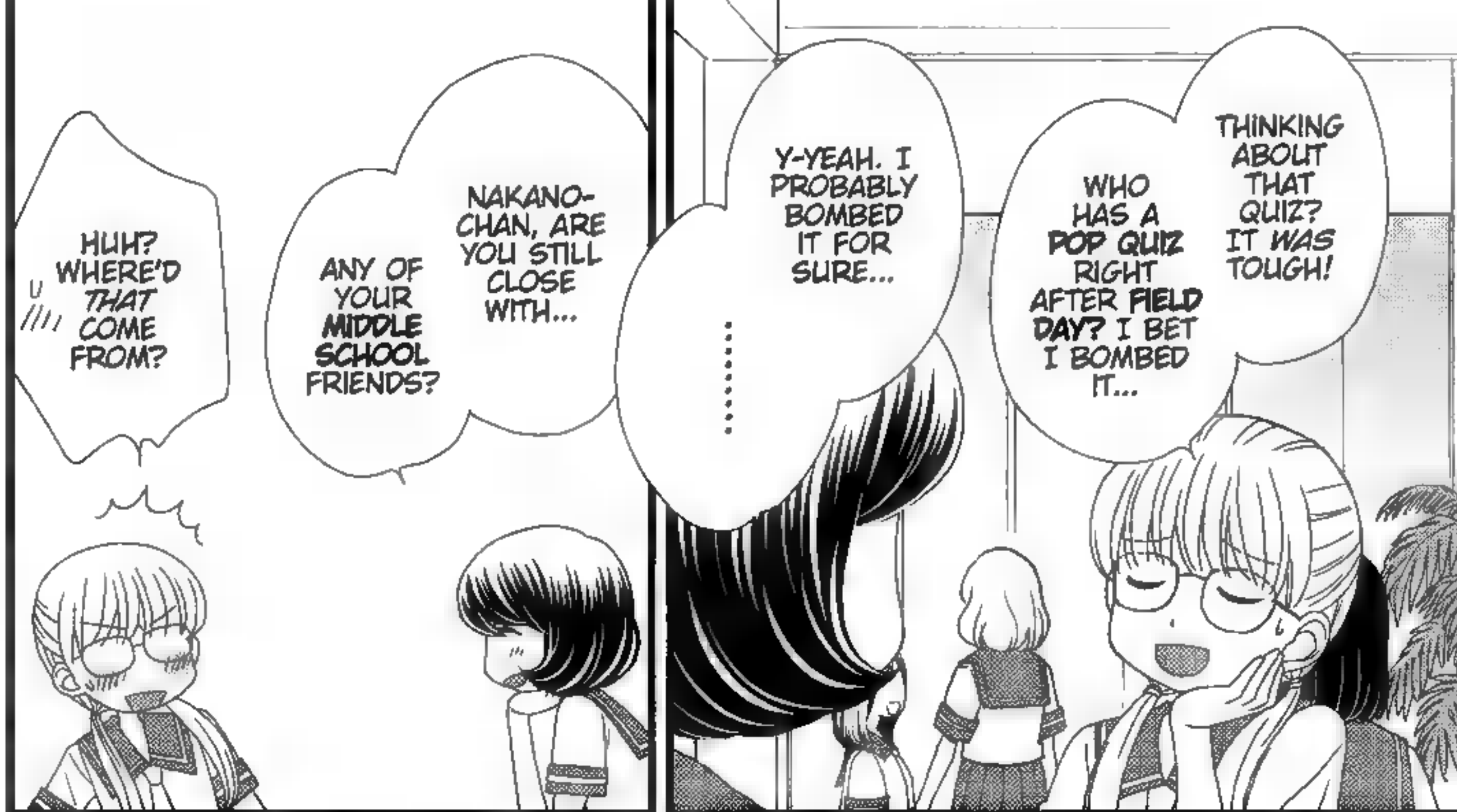
OW, OW,
OW!



CHAPTER 8

HUH?
OH!

SORRY! I
WAS KINDA
LOST IN
THOUGHT
THERE...





AH, IT'S
HINA-
CHAN!

WHAT?!

BA-
DMP

YEAH, I
THOUGHT
SO!

YEAH,
I HAVE
WAY MORE
PUCHIPURA
STUFF.
LIKE THE
CANMAKE
LINE?

I LOOOVE
JILL! IT'S
SO PRICEY,
THOUGH.

WHAAT,
REALLY?
I WEAR
CANMAKE
LIP GLOSS,
TOO!

HASEGAWA-
CHAN?

THAT'S
TAKAGI-SAN
FROM OUR
CLASS.
THEY SEEM
PRETTY
CLOSE.

SQUEE!

REALLY?
I DIDN'T
KNOW.

WHAT
KIND OF
MASCARA
DO YOU
USE?

SQUEE!

CLATTER !!!



!!

HINA-
CHAAAAN!
IS YOUR
LEG FEELING
BETTER?



HUH?
DID SHE
HURT
HER-
SELF?

I
GUESS
NOT...

YOU
PROBABLY
SHOULDN'T
WEAR HEELS
WHEN YOU'RE
INJURED,
THOUGH...

REALLY?
THAT'S
GREAT!

AH, YEAH,
IT'S FINE
NOW! THE
SWELLING'S
TOTALLY
GONE.

IT
DOESN'T
EVEN HURT
TO WEAR
HEELS
NOW.



OH,
THAT'S
RIGHT! I
WANTED TO
ASK YOU
ABOUT THIS
WEEKEND...



OH,
UM...

NO, I
MEAN...
ER...

?

?

THIS
WEEKEND?



WELL,
SEE YOU
LATER,
HA...

UM,
HASEGAWA-
SENPAI!

AND
ALL OF
YOU,
TOO!

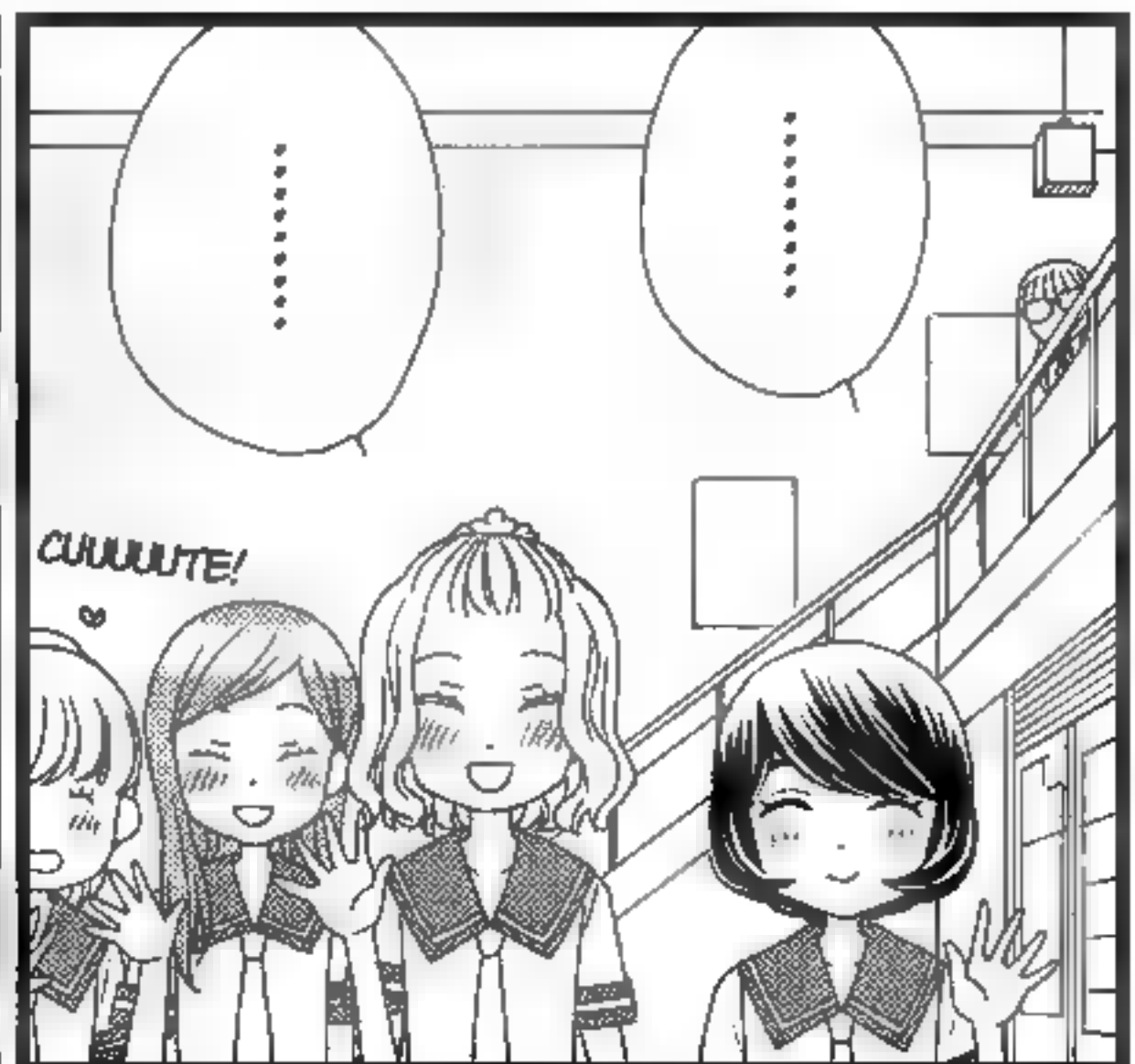


HINAKOOO!
WE GOT OUR
DRINKS, SO
LET'S GET
BACK TO THE
CLASSROOM!
LUNCH BREAK'S
ALMOST OVER!

AH!



SORRY!
WHAT
WERE WE
TALKING
ABOUT
AGAIN?



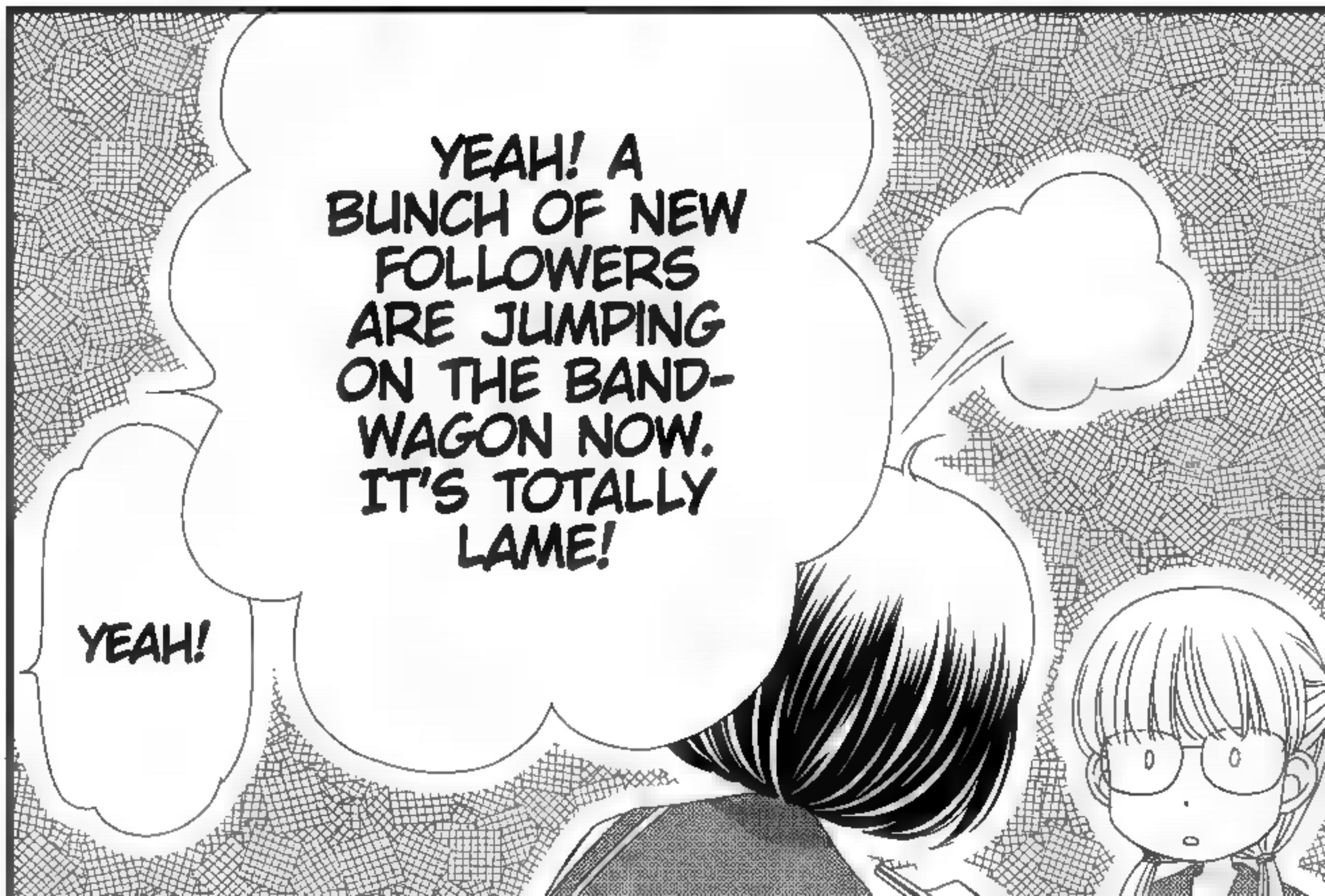
CUUUUTE!



AHEM...

URK!

DIDN'T YOU
SAY YOU
WEREN'T
GOING TO TALK
TO HINA-CHAN
AT SCHOOL?
YOU KNOW,
IN CASE IT GETS
OUT THAT
YOU WORK
TOGETHER?







WHAT
KIND OF
NAMES
ARE
THOSE?

KYA!

YUUPYON?

KYAA!

NO, IT'S
GOTTA BE
NAOTEI,
RIGHT?
THEY WERE
TOGETHER
A LOT.

OR
MAYBE
SHE
MEANS
PARUNYAN!

KYAA!



UM...

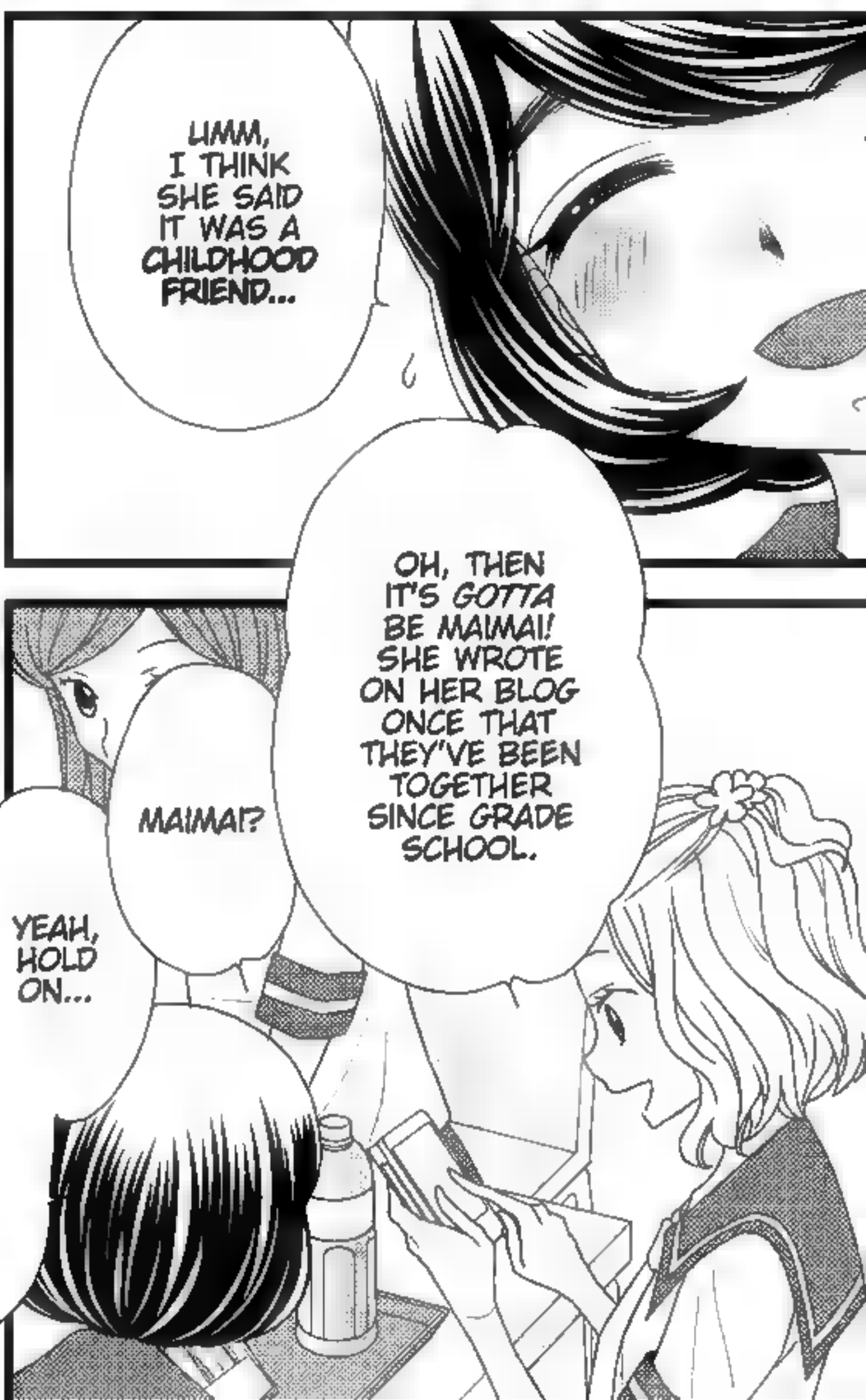
REALLY?
OH, MAYBE
IT WAS
MIKORUN?

SHE WAS
TALKING
ABOUT A
MODEL FRIEND
OF Hers
DURING FIELD
DAY... SO I
WONDERED
WHO IT
WAS.



Oono Maiko (Maimai)

DOB: 11/7
Height: 153
Weight: 40



UHH,
I THINK
SHE SAID
IT WAS A
CHILDHOOD
FRIEND...

OH, THEN
IT'S GOTTA
BE MAIMAI!
SHE WROTE
ON HER BLOG
ONCE THAT
THEY'VE BEEN
TOGETHER
SINCE GRADE
SCHOOL.

MAIMAI?

YEAH,
HOLD
ON...

SEE?
THIS
GIRL
HERE.

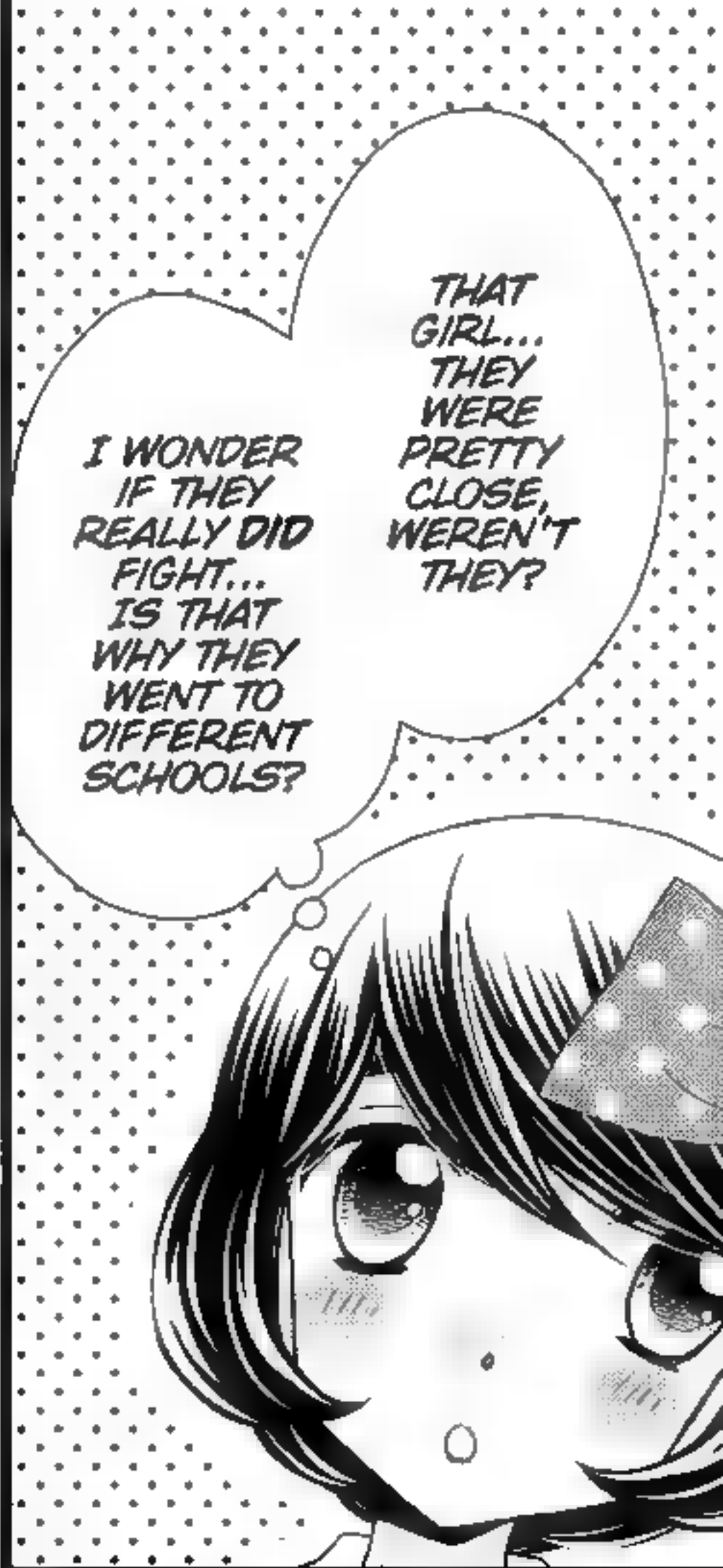




YEAH?

YOU
KNOW...

MAYBE
I CAN
ASK
HER...



I WONDER
IF THEY
REALLY DID
FIGHT...
IS THAT
WHY THEY
WENT TO
DIFFERENT
SCHOOLS?

THAT
GIRL...
THEY
WERE
PRETTY
CLOSE,
WEREN'T
THEY?



YOU
KNOW,
YOUR
FRIEND...

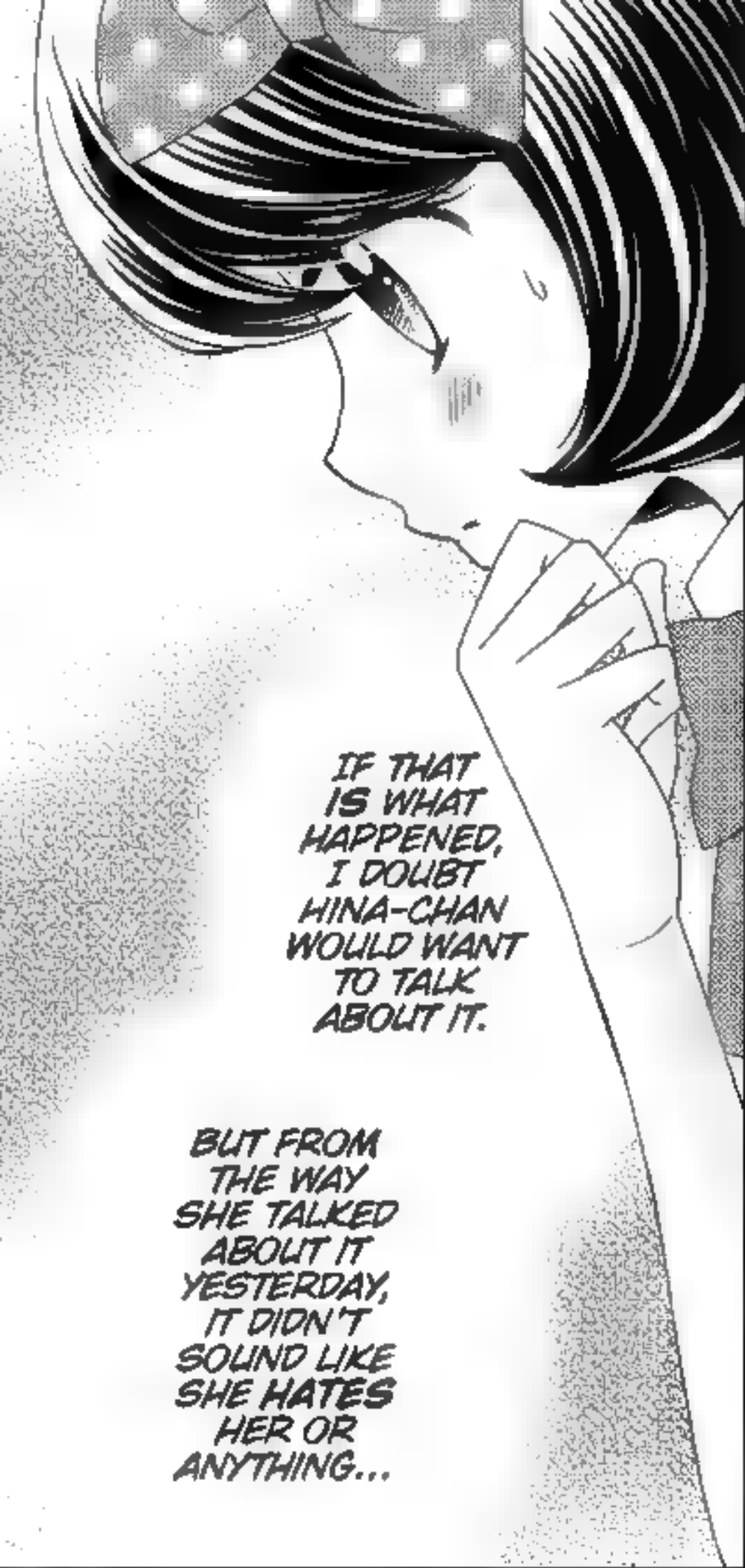
MAI...

ABOUT THAT
THING YOU
MENTIONED
YESTERDAY...



"MAI"?

...



IF THAT
IS WHAT
HAPPENED,
I DOUBT
HINA-CHAN
WOULD WANT
TO TALK
ABOUT IT.

BUT FROM
THE WAY
SHE TALKED
ABOUT IT
YESTERDAY,
IT DIDN'T
SOUND LIKE
SHE HATES
HER OR
ANYTHING...



WHAT?!
SERIOUS-
LY?!

MY CANDY!
DID YOU
KNOW WE
GOT A
SHIPMENT
OF NEW
MY CANDY
PRODUCTS?



BUT I
CAN'T
BRING
BRANDS
LIKE
THIS TO
SCHOOL...

BENTO
BOXES
AND
WATER
BOTTLES...

AHH,
THEY'RE
SO CUTE!
I WANNA
BUY IT
ALL!

WHAT
AM I
DOING?
I CAN'T
JUST ASK
IF THEY
GOT IN A
FIGHT...



YOU SAID
BEFORE
THAT IT
WAS TOO
RISKY...

IS
IT...ALL
RIGHT TO
TALK AT
SCHOOL
NOW?

TODAY...

AH...



BUT...I
PROBABLY
SHOULDN'T
STICK MY
NOSE INTO
HINA-CHAN'S
BUSINESS.

MUMBLE
MUMBLE

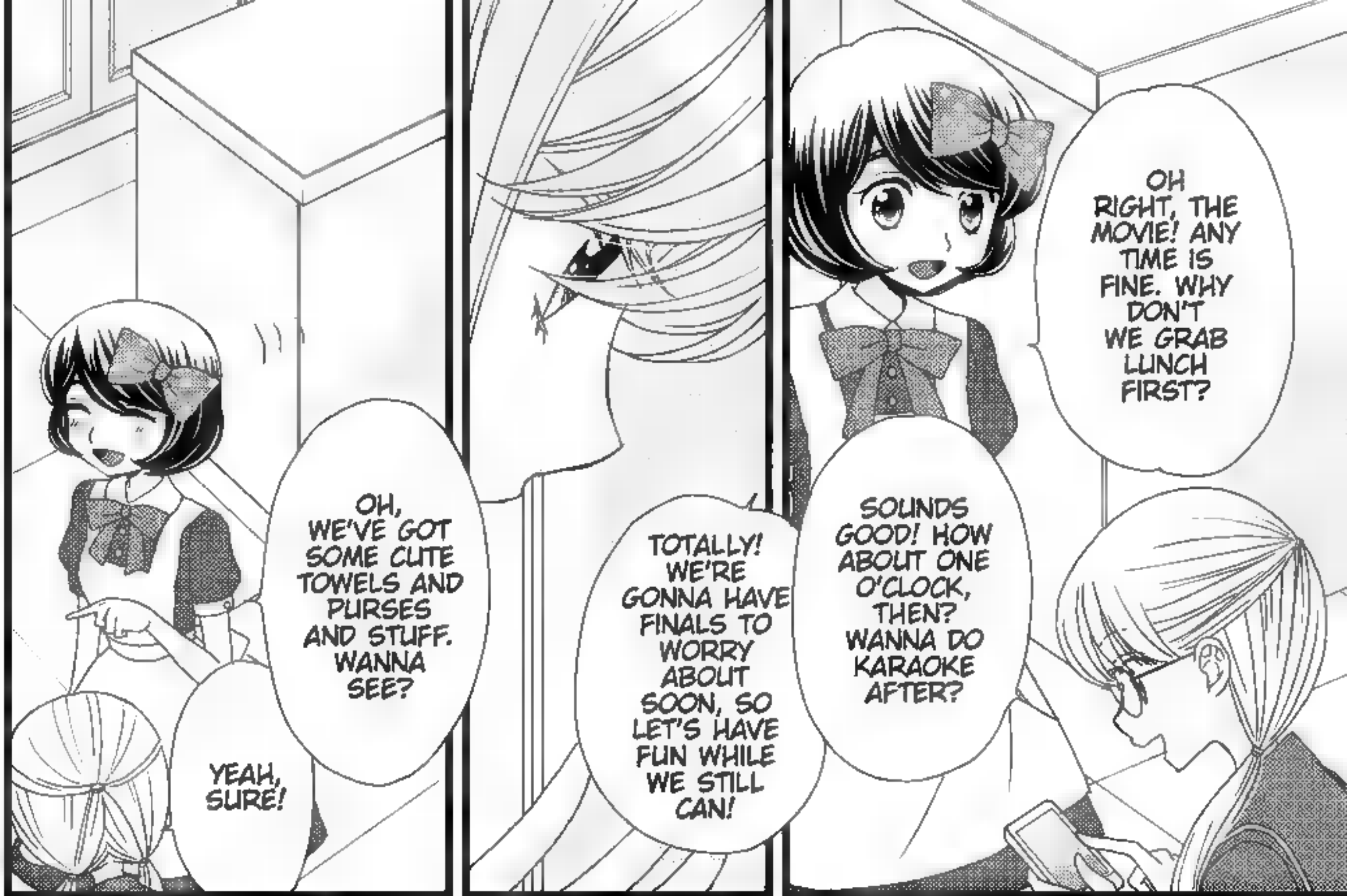
BY
THE
WAY,
HANA-
SAN...













AH,
THAT'S
RIGHT...



THANK
YOU!

GOOD
WORK
TODAY,
YOU
TWO!



YEAH...

HINA-CHAN,
ABOUT
EARLIER...

WEREN'T
YOU ASKING
ME ABOUT
NOT
WORKING
ON
SUNDAY?



OH, I
KNOW!
HINA-CHAN,
DO YOU
LIKE
MOVIES?

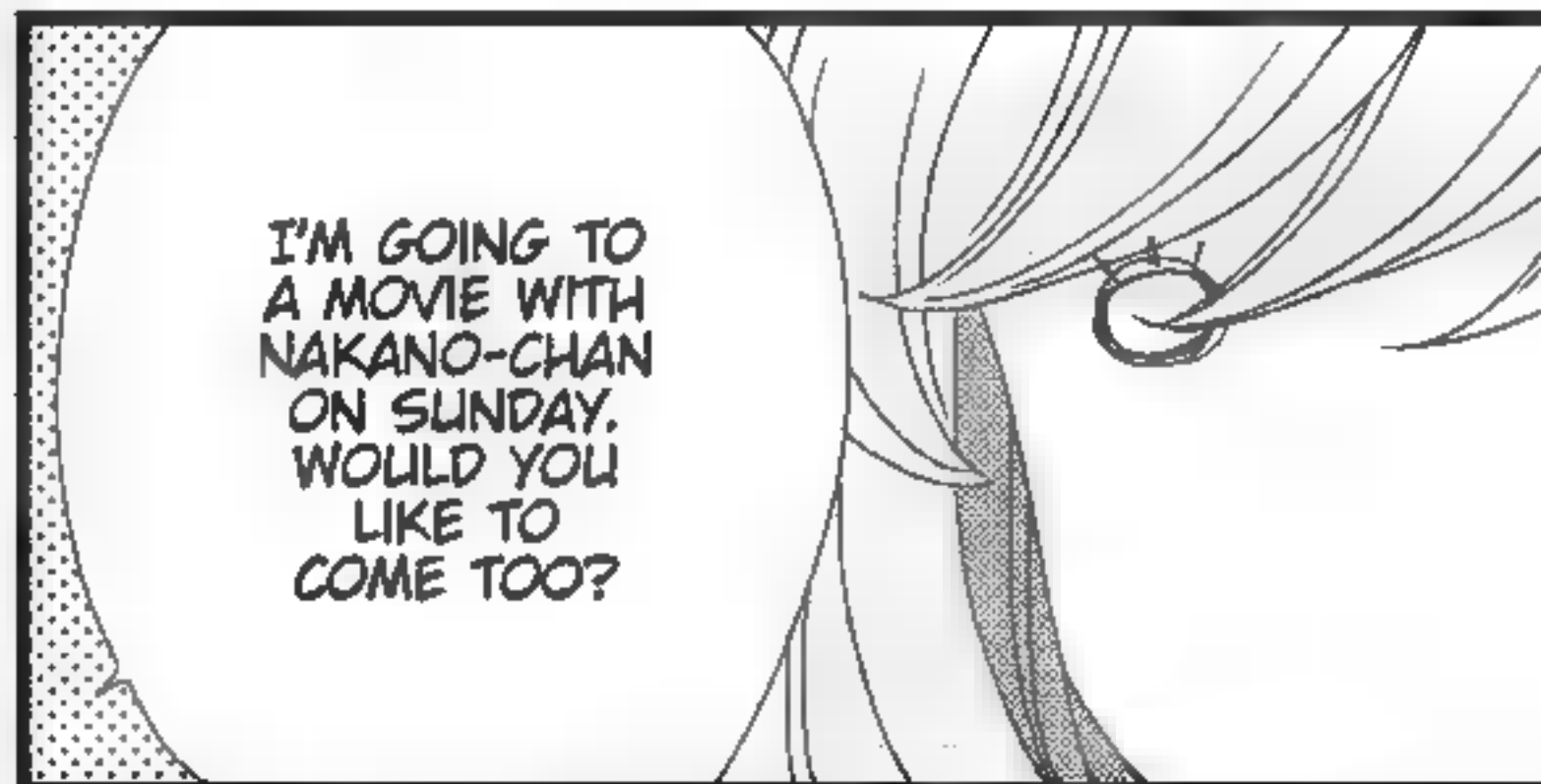


REALLY?

ZIIP



FORGET
IT. IT'S
NO BIG
DEAL.

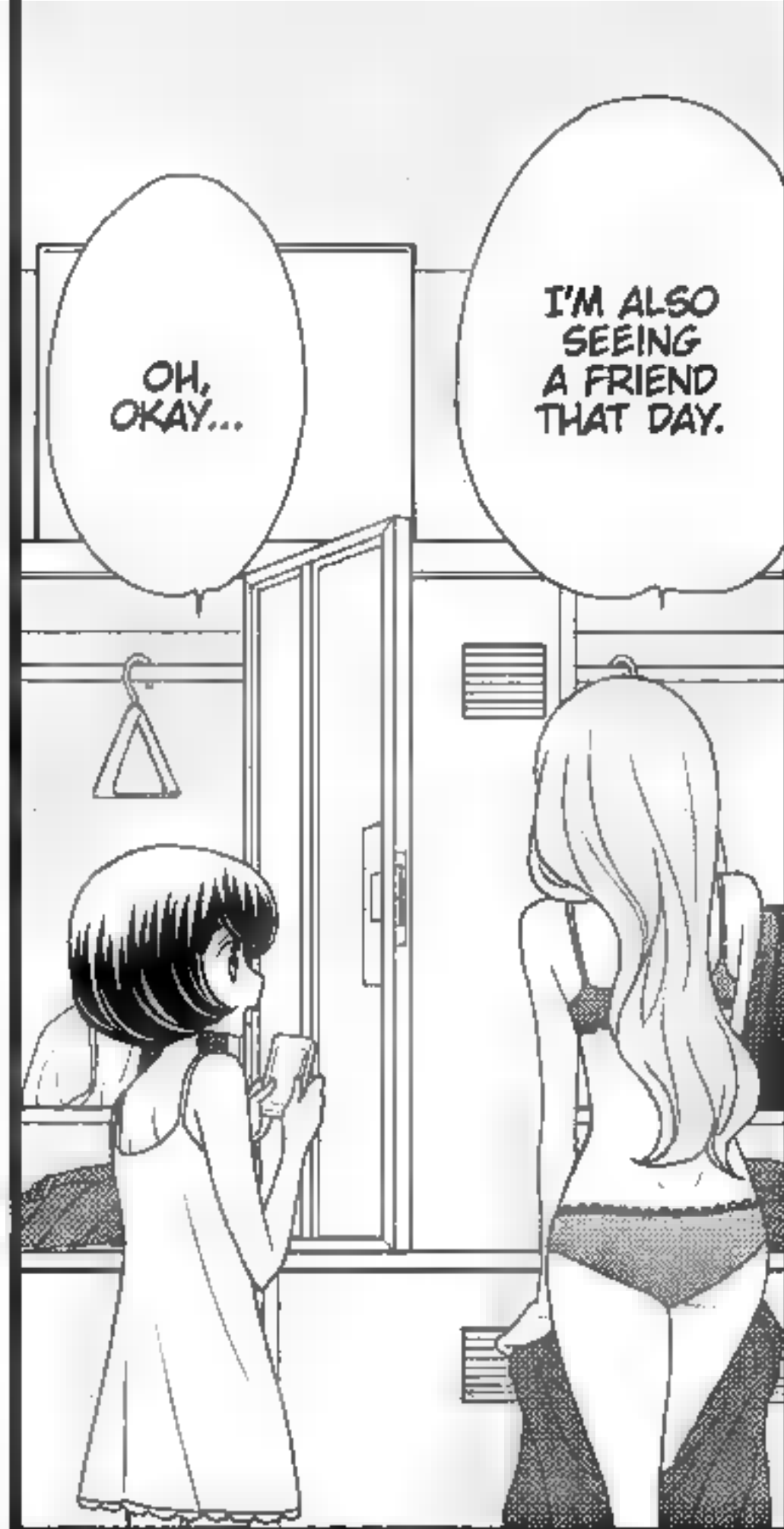




SO,
YOU'RE
SEEING
A FRIEND
TOO...



IS
IT...



OH,
OKAY...

I'M ALSO
SEEING
A FRIEND
THAT DAY.



WH-WHY
WOULD
YOU ASK
ABOUT...

WAIT...
HANA-SAN,
HOW DID
YOU EVEN
KNOW HER
NAME?

OH, UH,
I HEARD
FROM
SOME
GIRLS IN
CLASS...

AH!

TURN

THAT
GIRL...
MAIKO-
CHAN?







I STILL
SEE
HINA-
CHAN
LIKE
ALWAYS.

AT
SCHOOL
AND AT
WORK,
BUT...



IT
FEELS
LIKE...

AND
JUST WHEN
WE COULD
FINALLY TALK
AT SCHOOL,
TOO.

THERE'S
DISTANCE
BETWEEN
US NOW.



SINCE YOU GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL AND ALL.

I SEE. I FORGOT THAT YOU'D BOTH HAVE FINALS AT THE SAME TIME...



THEY START ON JULY 1ST.

OH, THAT'S RIGHT! SORRY, UM...



WILL YOU BE TAKING TIME OFF TO STUDY?

YOU TWO HAVE FINAL EXAMS NEXT MONTH, RIGHT?

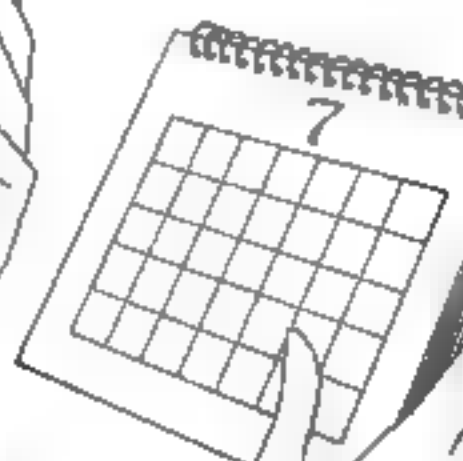


HUH?

MAYBE I SHOULD CHANGE YOUR SHIFTS.

SINCE YOU'LL BOTH BE ON BREAK THEN...

HMMM...





I
SUPPOSE...



WAIT...

DOES
THIS
MEAN
THAT...



THE
TWO OF
US BEING
TOGETHER...

WON'T
BE...

"THE
SAME AS
USUAL"
ANYMORE?



.....

Hana & Hina

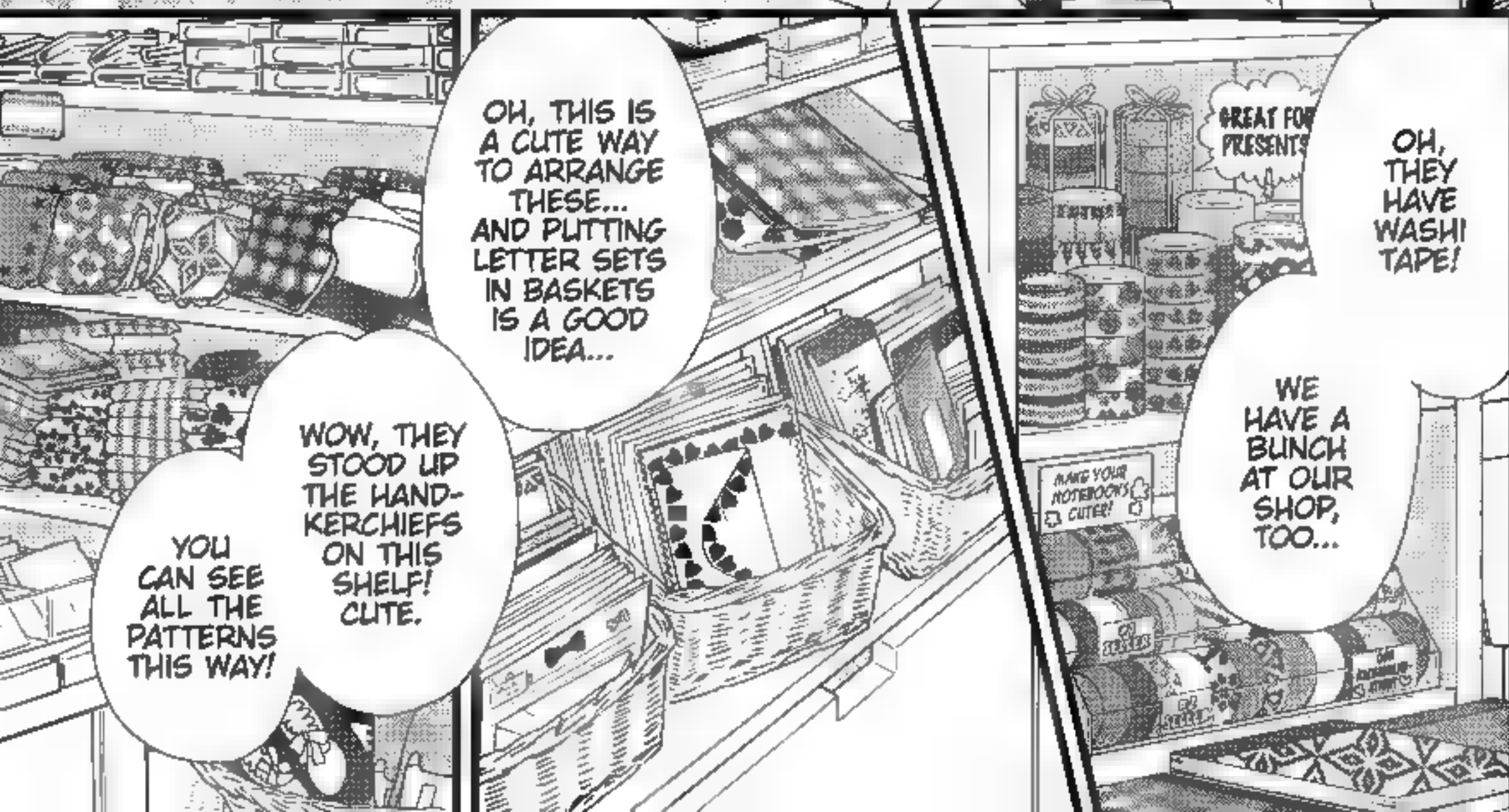
AFTER ♡ SCHOOL



AH, THAT
SUPPLY
SHOP
LOOKS SO
CUTE!

CAN WE
TAKE A
LOOK?

CHAPTER 9



OH, THIS IS
A CUTE WAY
TO ARRANGE
THESE...
AND PUTTING
LETTER SETS
IN BASKETS
IS A GOOD
IDEA...

WOW, THEY
STOOD UP
THE HAND-
KERCHIEFS
ON THIS
SHELF!
CUTE.

YOU
CAN SEE
ALL THE
PATTERNS
THIS WAY!

GREAT FOR
PRESENTS!

OH,
THEY
HAVE
WASHI
TAPE!

WE
HAVE A
BUNCH
AT OUR
SHOP,
TOO...

MAKE YOUR
NOTEBOOKS
CUTTER!



WOW,
AND THIS
CORNER
IS SOOO
PRECIOUS!

I SEE...
WHAT A
SMART
WAY TO
STACK
THEM!

BAG
NO. 1



CUTE
STORES LIKE
THIS JUST
MAKE YOU
WANT TO
BUY SOME-
THING FOR
YOURSELF,
Y'KNOW?

OH,
Y'KNOW
...

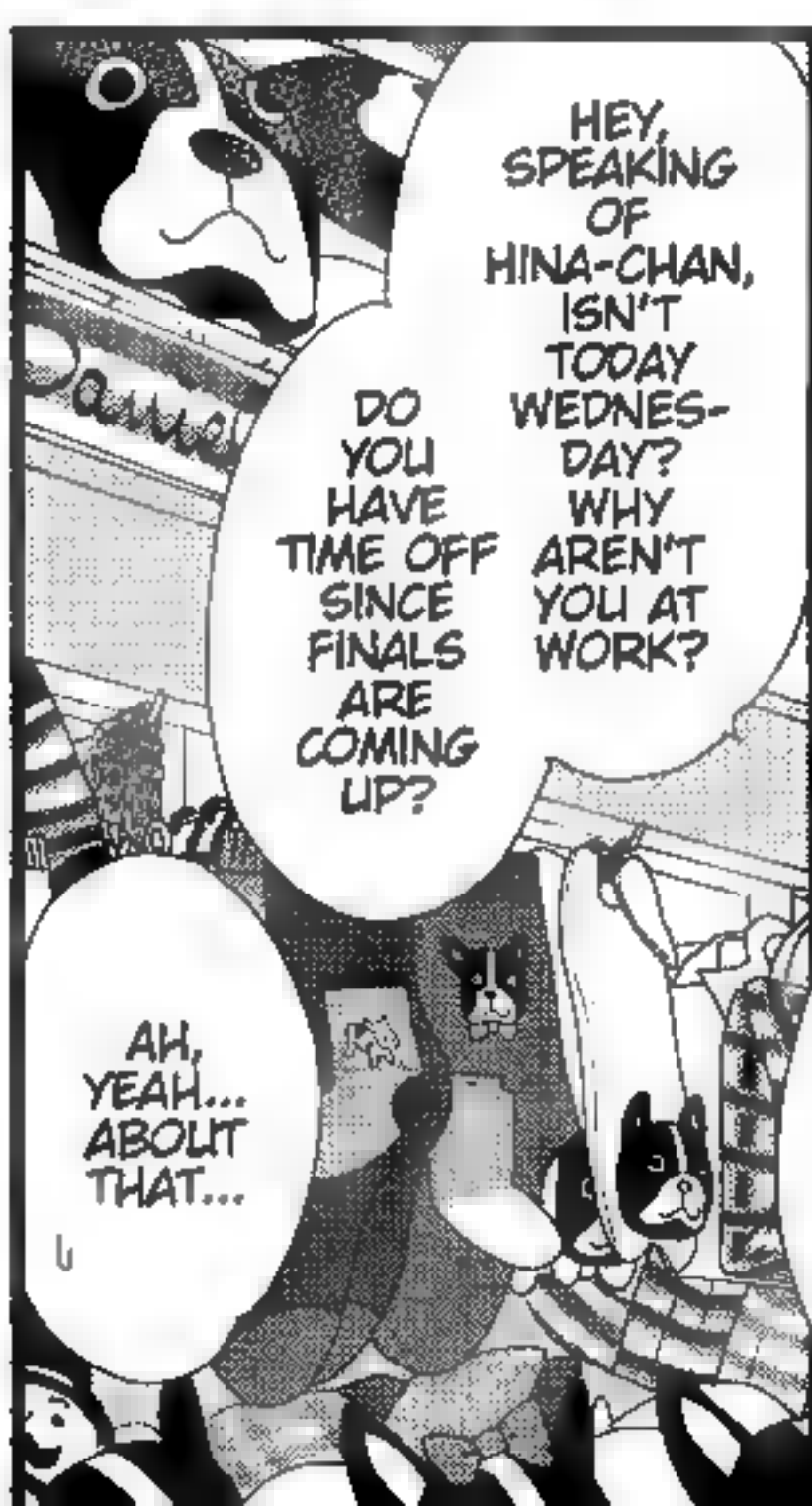
IT'S
JUST FOR
MY BIG
BROTHER,
SO ANY-
THING IS
FINE. I
WANNA FIND
SOMETHING
FOR ME,
TOO!



HEE
HEE!

SEEMS
LIKE YOU'RE
LOOKING
AT THE
SHOP ITSELF
MORE THAN
THE STUFF
THEY'RE
SELLING...

OH,
SORRY!
THAT'S
RIGHT, WE
NEED TO
LOOK FOR
A BIRTHDAY
GIFT!



HEY,
SPEAKING
OF
HINA-CHAN,
ISN'T
TODAY
WEDNES-
DAY? WHY
AREN'T
YOU AT
WORK?

DO
YOU
HAVE
TIME OFF
SINCE
FINALS
ARE
COMING
UP?

AH,
YEAH...
ABOUT
THAT...



YOU'RE
RIGHT! I
GUESS
DISPLAYS
REALLY
IMPORTANT
FOR THIS
KIND OF
SHOP!

OH! THAT
REMINDS ME,
HINA-CHAN
ALWAYS
SAYS...





HINA-CHAN
MUST BE
AT WORK
RIGHT
NOW...

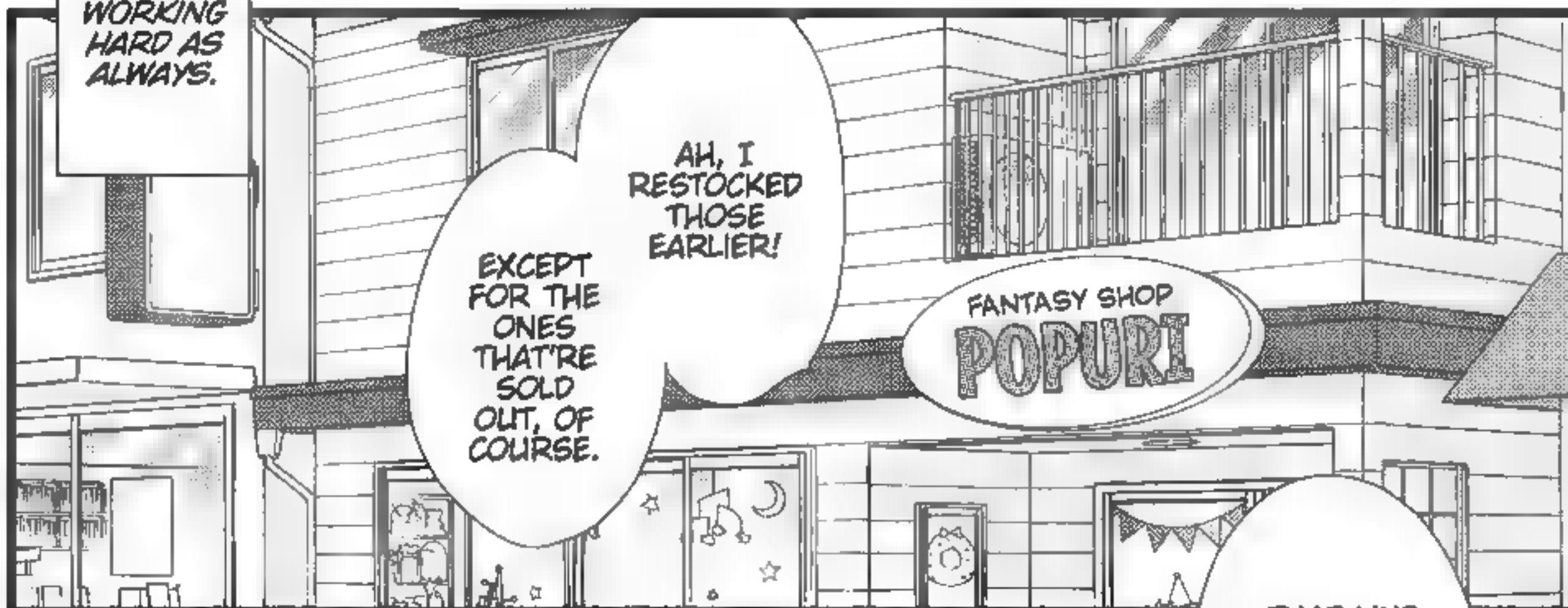
I
WONDER
WHAT
SHE'S
DOING...?

I'M
SURE
SHE'S
WORKING
HARD AS
ALWAYS.



CUUUUTE! A
COMPUTER
MOUSE
SHAPED
LIKE A REAL
MOUSE! HE'D
LOVE IT!

WHAT
AM I
GETTING
ALL
MOPEY
FOR?



AH, I
RESTOCKED
THOSE
EARLIER!

EXCEPT
FOR THE
ONES
THAT'RE
SOLD
OUT, OF
COURSE.

FANTASY SHOP
POPURI



SHE'S
TOTALLY
DIFFERENT
FROM
HANA-SAN...



MAYBE
I SHOULD
SAY
SOMETHING
TO THE
MANAGER?

THAT LINE
SEEMS TO
SELL REALLY
WELL. DO
YOU THINK
WE SHOULD
ORDER
MORE?

HUSTLE =

BUSTLE =

AH, YEAH.
GOOD IDEA,
HORIKAWA-
SAN.



HASEGAWA-SAN'S MORE THE CUTESY TYPE.

!



THIRD YEARS REALLY ARE MORE MATURE, I GUESS.

YOU'RE NOTHING LIKE HASEGAWA-SAN, THOUGH!

COLLEGE STUDENT

AH, YES.

EMORI-SAN, YOU GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL AS HASEGAWA-SAN, RIGHT?

SO YOU'RE IN HIGH SCHOOL THEN?



YES, SHE IS...

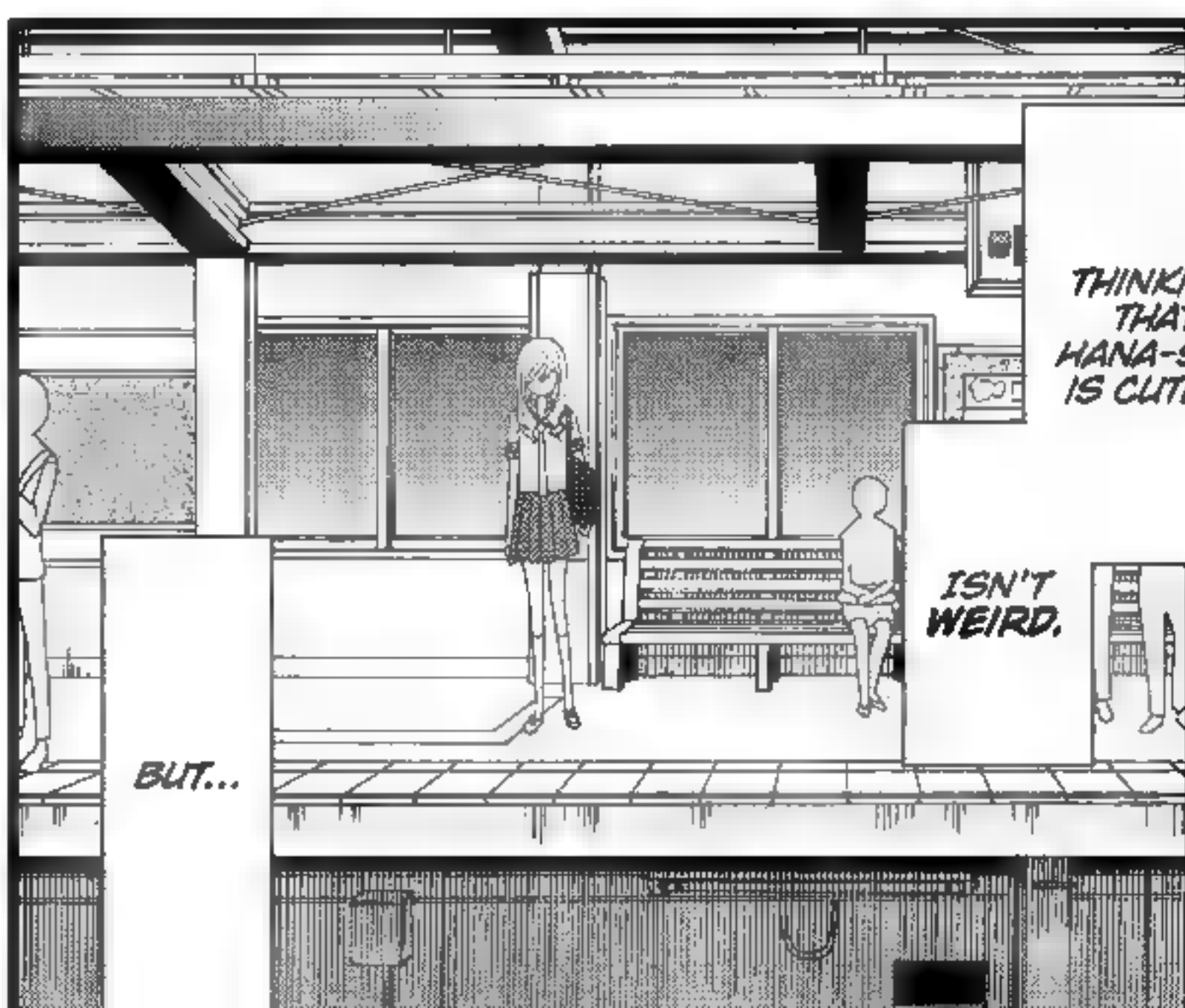


I MEAN, SHE'S SO TEENSY AND SWEET!

SURE! WE WORK TOGETHER ON SUNDAYS NOW. AT FIRST I THOUGHT SHE WAS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL!


WHAT, HASEGAWA-SAN?

YOU THINK SHE'S CUTE?



THINKING THAT HANA-SAN IS CUTE...

ISN'T WEIRD.



AND I
REALLY
LIKE HER.

SHE'S
CUTE...

AND
PRECIOUS...



I'M
SURE SHE
WOULDN'T
FORGIVE
ME.



BUT
IF I LET
MYSELF
THINK
LIKE
THAT...



IT'S ALL
FINE.
THERE'S
NOTHING
WEIRD
GOING ON.

BUT THE
LITTLEST
THINGS
SHE DOES
MAKE ME
HAPPY...

I KEEP
TELLING
MYSELF
THAT...

OR
CAUSE
ME PAIN.



THE MORE TIME
WE SPEND TOGETHER...

THE MORE MY
FEELINGS GROW.





RIGHT,
HINAKO?

BIKINIS
ARE
TOTALLY...



THEN
WHAT'S
THE POINT
OF EVEN
BUYING
A SWIM-
SUIT?

WHA?!
ARE YOU
FOR
REAL?

MAYBE
IF I CAN
WEAR A
SWEAT-
SHIRT
OVER
IT...



U REALLY?
/// BIKINIS,
HUH...?

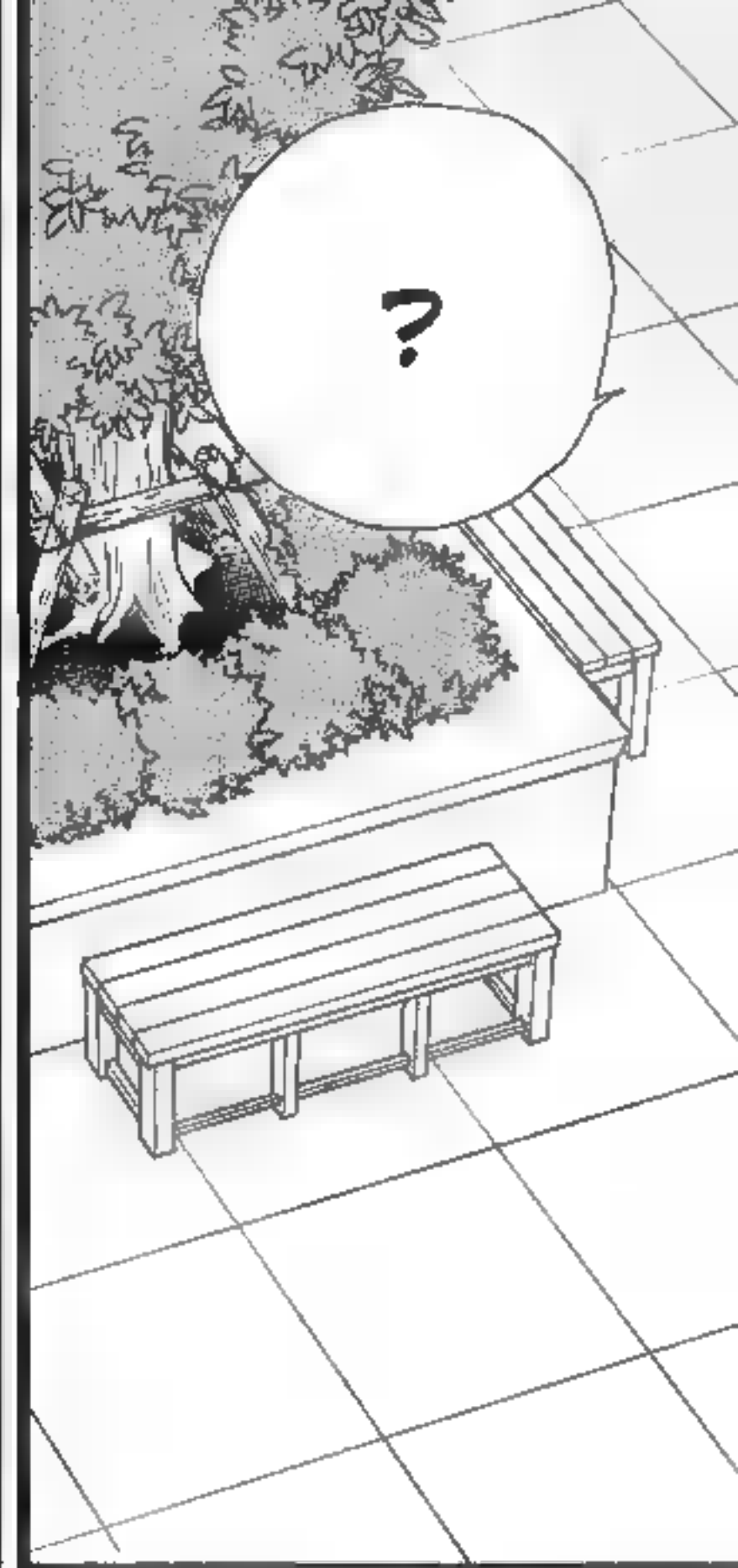
BUT
BIKINIS
MAKE YOUR
WAIST LOOK
THINNER,
DON'T
THEY?

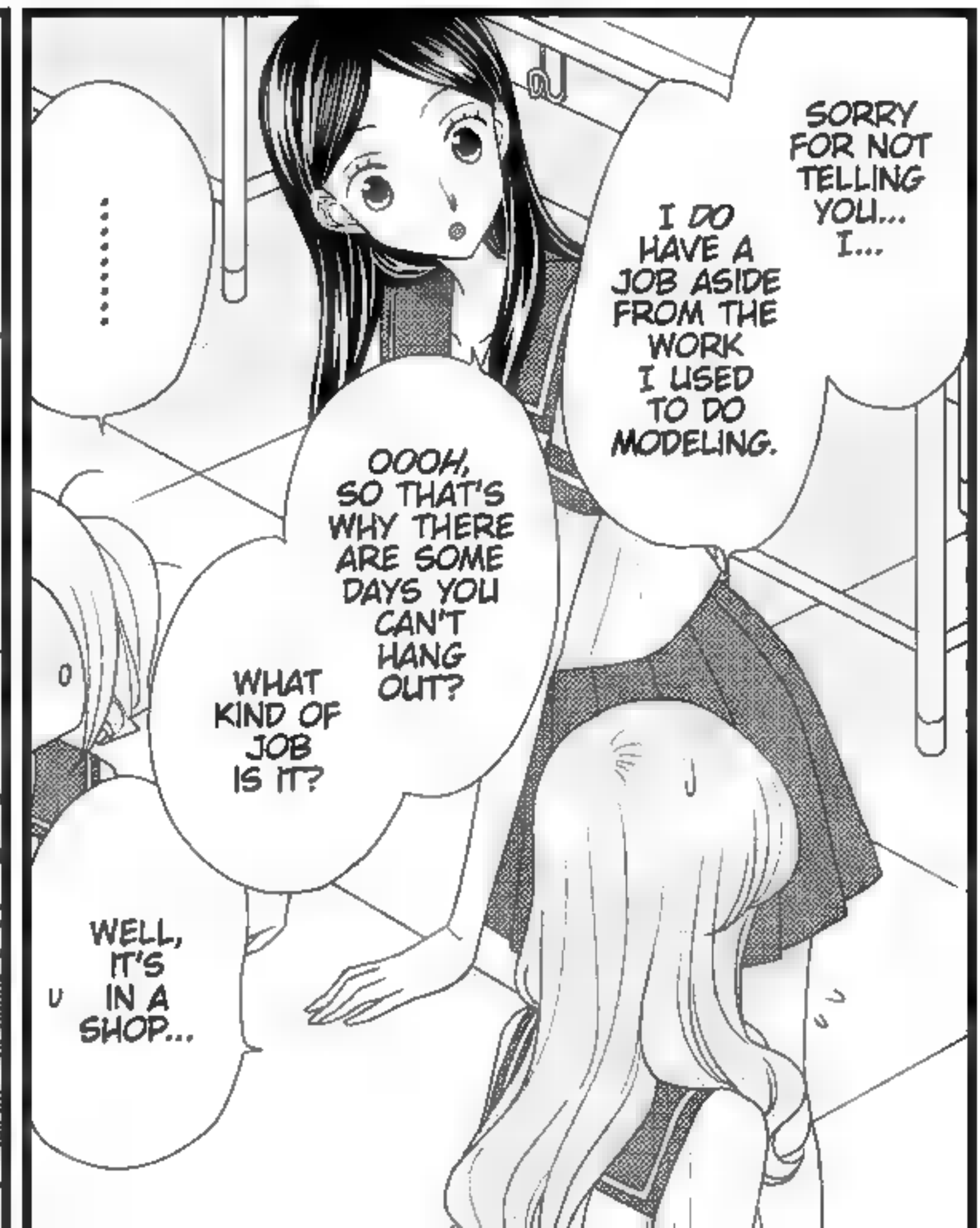
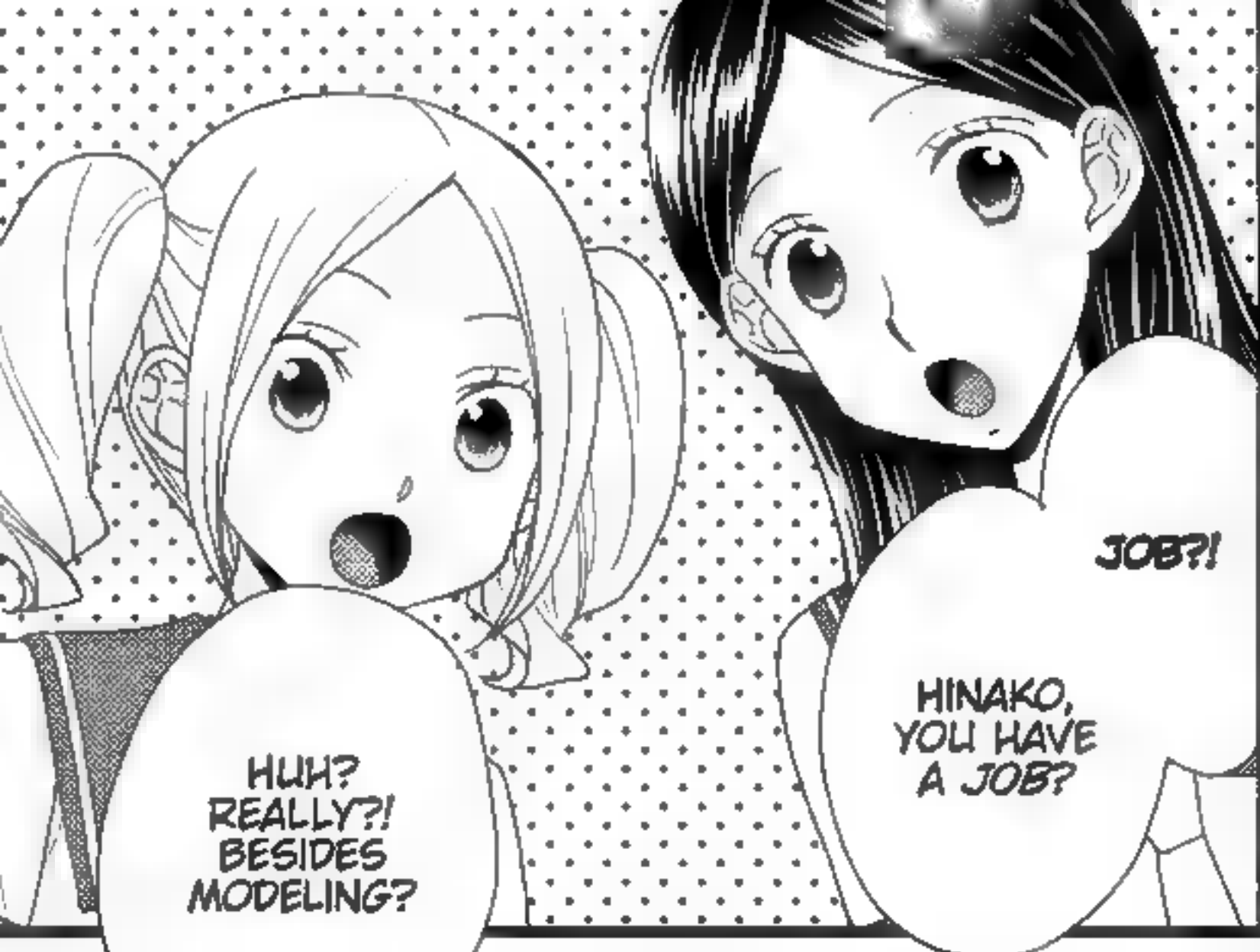


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WHATCHA'
LOOKIN'
AT?









NO, NO,
IT'S FINE,
IT'S FINE!

I
WAS KINDA
HOPING TO
HEAR YOUR
ROMANTIC
LOVE STORY,
THOUGH...

I
CAN'T
SET
YOU UP.
SORRY.

AHA HA!
I DON'T
HAVE
A BOY-
FRIEND
OR ANY-
THING.



NOOO!
SHUT
YOUR
MOUTH,
MAKO!

SHE
FIGURED
HE'D
PROBABLY
BE HOT, SO
MAYBE HE'D
HAVE HOT
FRIENDS
TOO--

AIKO
THOUGHT
MAYBE
YOU HAD A
BOYFRIEND.



!!

BUT I'M
SURPRISED!

DON'T
YOU HAVE
ANYONE
YOU LIKE,
HINAKO?



IS IT AN
OLDER
GUY?
WHAT'S
YOUR
TYPE?

YOU DO,
DON'T YOU?!
WHO IS IT?!
WHAT'S
HE LIKE?!



UM...

ER,
WELL...







BECAUSE
OF
THAT...

IT'S
SOMEONE
I CAN
NEVER
EVER
CONFESS
TO.

THANK
YOU...BUT
THAT'S
NOT THE
PROBLEM.



COME
ON!
DO IT!

HUH?
WHY
NOT?

WITH
YOUR
LOOKS,
NOBODY
WOULD
TURN YOU
DOWN!

SHHH!
AIKO,
KEEP IT
DOWN...!



BUT...

HINAKO
....!

HE MUST
HAVE A
GIRLFRIEND...
OR MAYBE...
HE'S
MARRIED?!



I
THINK IT'S
PROBABLY
FOR THE
BEST...

THAT WE
WON'T
SEE EACH
OTHER
MUCH
ANYMORE.

BOTH
FOR
ME...

AND
FOR THE
PERSON
I LIKE.





I...I WAS
REALLY
MEAN TO
HANA-SAN'S
FRIEND.
I GUESS
I WAS
JUST SO
JEALOUS.

AND
NOW...

I'LL
NEVER
EVEN
GET TO
APOLO-
GIZE.

GOOD
MORNING!

AIKO...
YOU'RE
COUNTING
YOUR
CHICKENS
BEFORE
THEY
HATCH.

IF EITHER
OF US
GET A
BOYFRIEND,
WE'LL
INTRODUCE
YOU
TO HIS HOT
FRIENDS,
'KAY?!

I
KNOW!

MORE
IMPOR-
TANTLY...

DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
IT!

I'M SORRY
AGAIN FOR
KEEPING
THE JOB A
SECRET...



OH, THIS
DISPLAY IS
DIFFERENT
TODAY.

IT'S SO
CUTE!



EMORI-SAN,
HORIKA-
WA-SAN
CALLED IN
SICK AT
THE LAST
MINUTE.

I CAN
STAY UNTIL
5:30,
BUT WILL
YOU BE
OKAY
ON YOUR
OWN AFTER
THAT?

YEAH, NO
PROBLEM!



HANA-SAN...

DOESN'T IT LOOK GREAT?

SHE CHANGED THE STUFFED ANIMAL CORNER TO LOOK LIKE A BED, TOO.

H-HANA-SAN DID THIS?



OH, YES! HANA-SAN DID THAT ONE.

ISN'T IT LOVELY?

EVEN WITH OUR SCHEDULES SWITCHED AROUND, I CAN STILL FEEL HANA-SAN'S PRESENCE IN THE STORE.

AND HERE I THOUGHT THAT IF WE WERE APART...

MY FEELINGS FOR HER WOULD FADE AWAY.



...





"WOW, THIS
DISPLAY
IS SUPER
CUTE!"

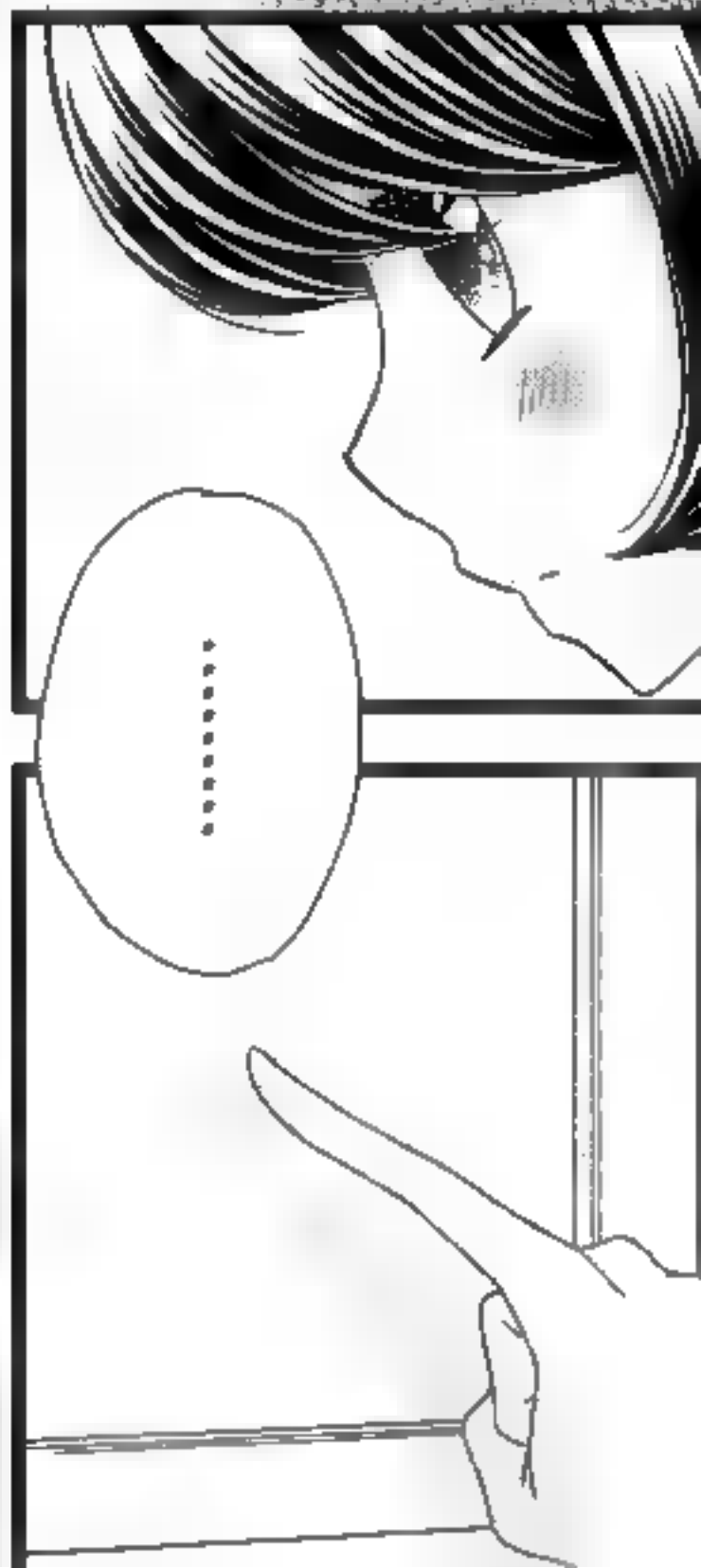
"YOU'RE
AMAZING,
HANA-SAN!"

OR
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT...



I
WANT
TO
WORK...

WITH
HINA-CHAN
AGAIN.



...



MUMBLE...

NO,
NOT
AT
ALL.

WHAT?
WHY?

'CUZ...



HOW
WAS
YOUR
DAY,
HIKARI-
KUN?

DID YOU
HAVE FUN
AT PRE-
SCHOOL
TODAY?



W-
WELCOME
BACK,
MA'AM!

I'M
BACK!

SORRY
I'M SO
LATE.



AHH...

HIKARI'S
FRIEND HAD
TO CHANGE
SCHOOLS
BECAUSE
OF HIS
PARENTS'
WORK,
YOU SEE.

REALLY?
OH,
THAT'S
TOO
BAD.



HARU-KUN
WASN'T
THERE...

HUH?



.....

SAY, WHY
DON'T I
MAKE YOUR
FAVORITE
FOR
DINNER
TONIGHT?

HAM-
BURGERS
SOUND
GOOD?

OKAY...

AND
SOMETIMES
THERE'S
NOTHING
YOU CAN DO
ABOUT IT.

I KNOW
IT'S SAD,
BUT THESE
THINGS
HAPPEN.



SOMETIMES
THERE'S
NOTHING
YOU CAN
DO...



AH,
RIGHT...!

LET
ME KNOW
IF YOU'RE
GOING ON
A TRIP OR
ANYTHING
FOR SUMMER
BREAK, ALL
RIGHT?

OH, AND I
KNOW IT'S
EARLY, BUT
DO YOU
HAVE ANY
REQUESTS
FOR YOUR
AUGUST
SCHEDULE?

KA-
CHAK

カッ
カッ



I
HAVEN'T
EVEN
WORKED
HERE SIX
MONTHS
YET...

SO I
FEEL
BAD
DOING
THIS
TO THE
MAN-
AGER.

FANTASY
POP

BUT I
GUESS
IT'S ALL
RIGHT.

HANA-
SAN
SHOULD
BE GONE
BY NOW.

WHAT
AM I
EVEN
DOING
HERE?

AH... I
CAME
TO THE
STORE
WITHOUT
THINK-
ING...

FANTA
POP

BUT I
HAVE
TO TELL
HER...

THAT
I'M
QUITTING.



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Hana & Hina

AFTER ♡ SCHOOL

I'M GOING
TO GIVE MY
NOTICE...

AND
LEAVE AT
THE END
OF THE
MONTH.

FANTASY SHOP
POPURI

CHAPTER 10

I GOT TO
CHECK OUT
THE NEW
PRODUCTS
BEFORE
ANYONE
ELSE.

I STARTED
IN MARCH,
SO IT'S
BEEN
ABOUT
FOUR
MONTHS.

I HAD
A LOT OF
FUN. I
GOT TO
BE SUR-
ROUNDED
BY CUTE
THINGS.

BUT
BEST
OF
ALL...



I HAVE
TO STOP
THINKING
ABOUT
IT!

COME ON,
STOP IT!

IF I
GO ON
FEELING
THE WAY
I DO
NOW...

IT'LL
ONLY
END UP
CAUSING
PROB-
LEMS
FOR
HANA-
SAN.



I
MEAN...

IF SHE
KNEW
ABOUT
THIS...

CLENCH...



IT'S
BETTER
IF I JUST
QUIT
BEFORE
SOMEONE
GETS
HURT.



IT'S
BETTER
FOR
HANA-
SAN...

AND
FOR
ME.



WHEN
SHE FINDS
OUT THAT
I QUIT
WITHOUT
TELLING
HER...

I
WONDER
IF HANA-
SAN
WILL BE
ANGRY?

I
WONDER...
IF SHE'LL
MISS ME,
EVEN
JUST A
LITTLE...





YOU CAN'T REALLY TAKE THE TIME TO LOOK AT IT ALL WHEN YOU'RE WORKING, RIGHT?

OH, BUT I GUESS I GET IT.

AH...
AHA HA
HA...
YEP...

I SURE LOVE THOSE GOODS
...



HA
HA
HA!

HEE
HEE!

I MEAN, YOU'LL BE HERE TOMORROW FOR WORK ANYWAY!

HINA-CHAN, YOU REALLY LOVE CHARACTER GOODS, DON'T YOU?



NOOO-
OOO!
I'M
FINE!

DRAAAG...

WHA--?!

NO, NO, IT'S FINE!
I'LL JUST LOOK TO-MORROW!

COME ON, DON'T BE SILLY!

YOINK

I'LL JOIN YOU, THEN!
COME ON, LET'S GO INSIDE!



OH, I SEE...

MAYBE WORK IS MORE FUN WHEN I'M NOT AROUND.



NOT THAT IT'S MY STORE... BUT STILL!

NOW, NOW, NO NEED TO BE SHY!

LOOK AROUND ALL YOU LIKE!

HANA-SAN SEEMS TO BE IN A GOOD MOOD
...

AHA
HA
HA!



LISTEN,
LIM...

OH MY
GOD,
THIS IS
PERFECT!

I
HAVE
TO TALK
TO YOU,
HINA-
CHAN!

WH-
WHAT
IS IT?!

GRAB



TEE
HEE!

YOU
STAYED
AT WORK
PRETTY
LATE TODAY,
HUH?

I GUESS
THAT
MAKES
SENSE.
THINGS
HAVE BEEN
A LITTLE
AWKWARD
BETWEEN
US LATELY.

OH,
YEAH, I
GUESS.



AH!

YOU
MUST'VE
WORKED
HARD.
WELL...
HAVE A
GOOD
NIGHT.

I GUESS
I REALLY
SHOULD
TELL THE
MANAGER
I'M
QUITTING
...



OH,
EXCUSE
ME!

FI-
NG-
FI-
NG-
FI-
NG-
FI-
NG-



BUT I
GUESS I
SHOULD
ASK YOU
FIRST,
RIGHT?

???

OH,
BUT...
IT'S NOT
FOR SURE
YET...

I STILL
HAVE TO
ASK SOME
COWORKERS
ABOUT IT...

HMMM...

HMMM...

LIM...
WHAT
ARE
YOU...?



THE ONE
BY THE
STATION
IS CLOSED
FOR
REMODEL-
ING RIGHT
NOW.

WHAAAT?
REALLY?

HMM...
THAT'S
TOO
BAD.



Y-YES,
I AM,
BUT...

WANNA
GO TO
MCD'S?

I GUESS
WE CAN'T
REALLY
STAND
AROUND
CHATTING
OUTSIDE
THE SHOP.

AH,
HINA-
CHAN, ARE
YOU FREE
RIGHT
NOW?



WELL...
I GUESS
THERE
IS ONE
PLACE...

THEN
WHERE
CAN WE
GO TO
TALK...?



YES,
YES, I'M
HOME!

COOL IT,
SANGO.

WOOF
WOOF!

ARF
ARF



HOW...
HOW DID
I END UP
AT HANA-
SAN'S
PLACE?

SO...
YOU'VE
GOT A
SINGLE-
FAMILY
HOUSE...

HOW
NICE...

BA-DMP



TH-
THANKS
FOR
HAVING
ME...

LOOKS
LIKE
MY MOM
AND DAD
AREN'T
HOME
YET. COME
ON IN,
HINA-CHAN!



HANA-
SAN'S
ROOM!!

BA-DMP

BA-DMP

BA-DMP

SORRY
IT'S
SUCH A
MESS.



HI,
SANGO.
NO, THIS
FOOD
ISN'T
FOR
YOU!

THIS IS
DINNER
FOR
HINA-
CHAN
AND
ME!

PANT PANT

REALLY?
I'D
RATHER
HAVE A
STYLISH
CONDO
LIKE
YOURS,
HINA-
CHAN!



YUP!
HER
NAME IS
SANGO.

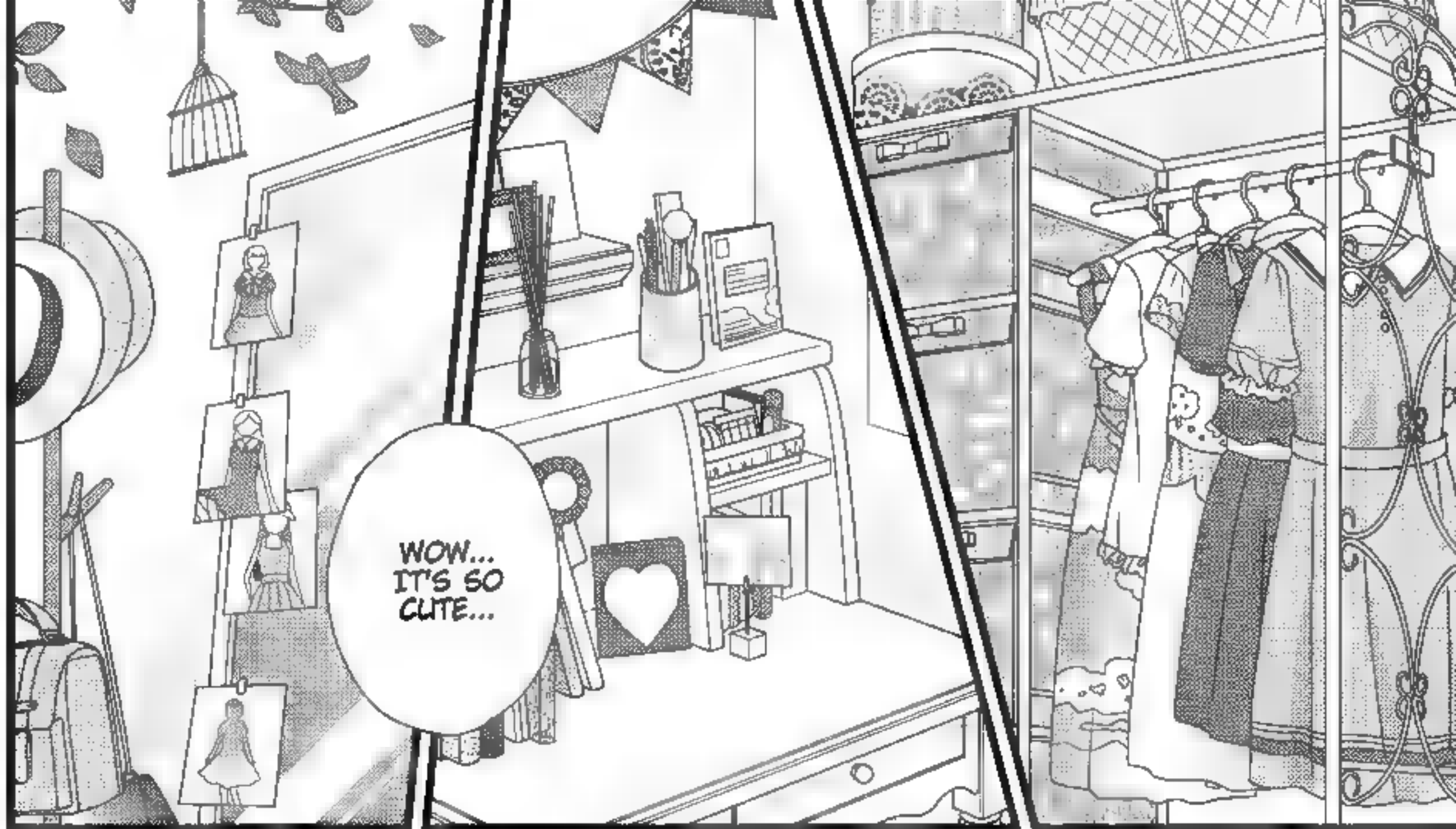
SHE'LL
EAT
ANY-
THING!

AH,
SO, MY
ROOM'S
ON THE
SECOND
FLOOR.

ARF!

ARF!

I FORGOT
YOU HAD
A DOG.
SHE'S
ADORABLE.



WOW...
IT'S SO
CUTE...



DON'T
LOOK!

LET ME
JUST PUT
THESE
THINGS
AWAY...!

IT
ALMOST
LOOKS
LIKE A
SHOP.

AHHH!
あああ





I GUESS
THERE'S
A REASON
EVERYONE
ABOUT
THAT
BAKERY.

THE
PORK
CUTLET
SANDWICH
IS REALLY
GOOD TOO!
HOW'S
YOUR
MUGWORT
BREAD,
HINA-CHAN?

YUP, YUP!
LAST TIME
I WENT,
THEY WERE
SOLD
OUT OF
THESE.

SHE'S
SO
CUTE...



IT'S
SOOO
GOOD!

CHOMP

MUNCH

MUNCH

I'VE
BEEN
WANTING
TO TRY THIS
CREAM-FILLED
ROLL FOR
A WHILE
NOW!



REALLY?
ARE YOU
SURE?

SURE,
I'M SURE!
HERE, GO
AHEAD.

HEE
HEE!

YAAAY!
THANK
YOU!



REALLY?
I'VE
NEVER
TRIED IT
BEFORE...

I'LL
HAVE
TO BUY
SOME
NEXT
TIME...

STARE

IT'S
DELICIOUS!
THE
MUGWORT
IS VERY
FRAGRANT.



W-WOULD
YOU
LIKE...

TO
HAVE A
BITE?







I'M
NOT SURE
IF THEY'LL
AGREE YET,
BUT THE
MANAGER
SAID THAT'D
BE OKAY.

WE CAN
OFFER TO
COVER A
SHIFT FOR
THEM IN
EXCHANGE
OR
WHATEVER.

.....



I
WANTED
TO WORK
TOGETH-
ER...

WITH
YOU...

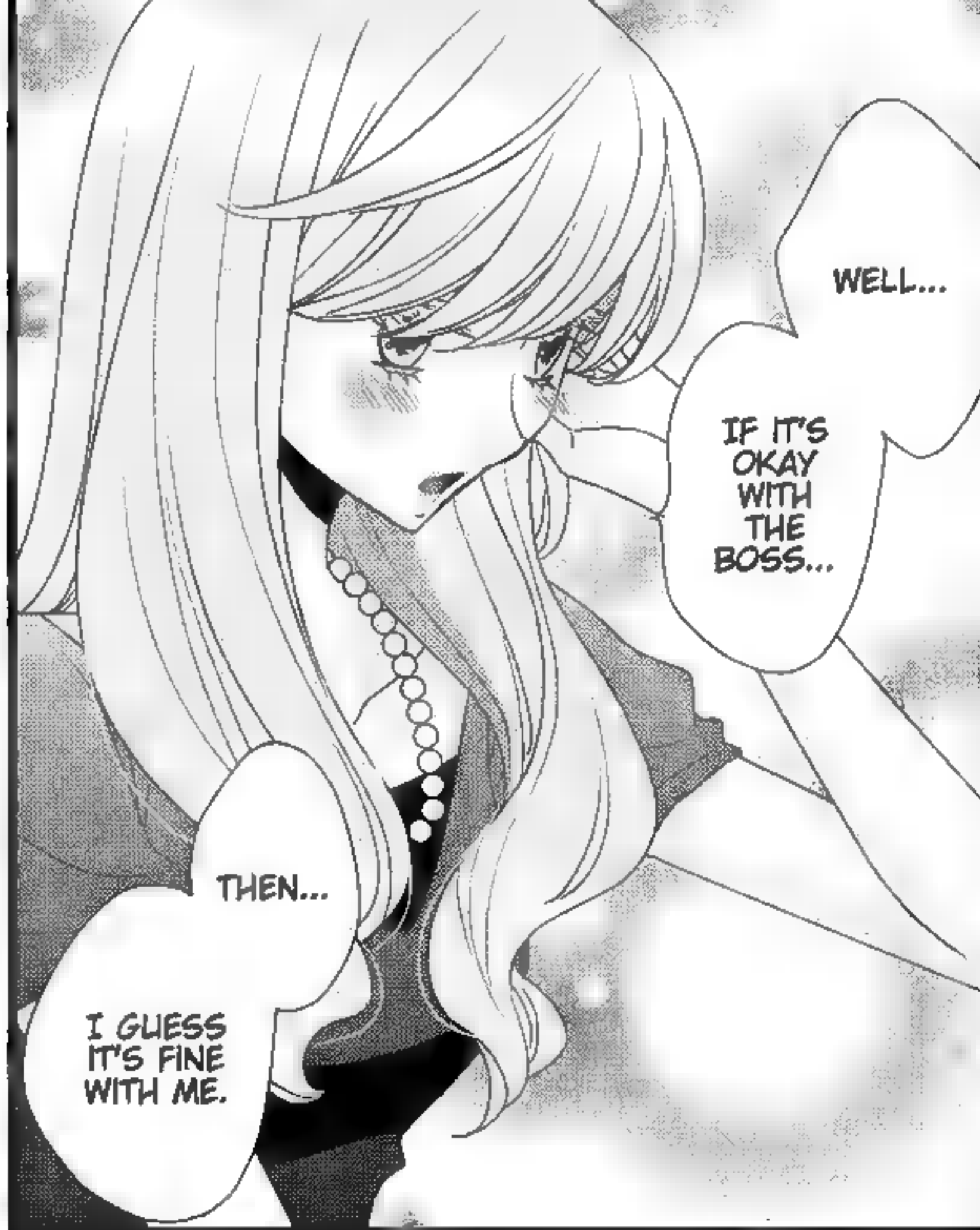
LIKE
BEFORE.



BUT...
I GUESS
I SHOULDN'T
HAVE ASKED
THE MANAGER
ABOUT IT
WITHOUT
TALKING TO
YOU FIRST.

I GUESS
I JUST
THOUGHT...





WELL...

IF IT'S
OKAY
WITH
THE
BOSS...

THEN...

I GUESS
IT'S FINE
WITH ME.



HINA-
CHAN?

AH!

UM,
WH-WHAT
DO YOU
THINK?



EVEN
AFTER I
ACTED
LIKE
A BIG
BABY...

REALLY?
GREAT!

SUMMER
BREAK'S
COMING
UP, TOO!


I BET
THERE'LL
BE LOTS OF
STUDENTS
COMING
TO THE
SHOP.

WHY IS
HANA-
SAN...

SO
NICE
TO ME?



LET'S
WORK
HARD
TOGETHER,
OKAY?



I WAS PLANNING TO
QUIT THIS JOB, AND
DISTANCE MYSELF
FROM HANA-SAN...

BUT I
GUESS...

THE
SHOPPING
DISTRICT
HAS A
SUMMER
FAIR TOO!

AND THE
MANAGER
EVEN SAID SHE
WANTED US
TO "LIVEN
THINGS UP"
LIKE WE
DID LAST
TIME!

IT'S TOO
LATE FOR
THAT NOW.



IT DOESN'T
MATTER IF I'M
NOT THE MOST
IMPORTANT
PERSON IN
HER WORLD.

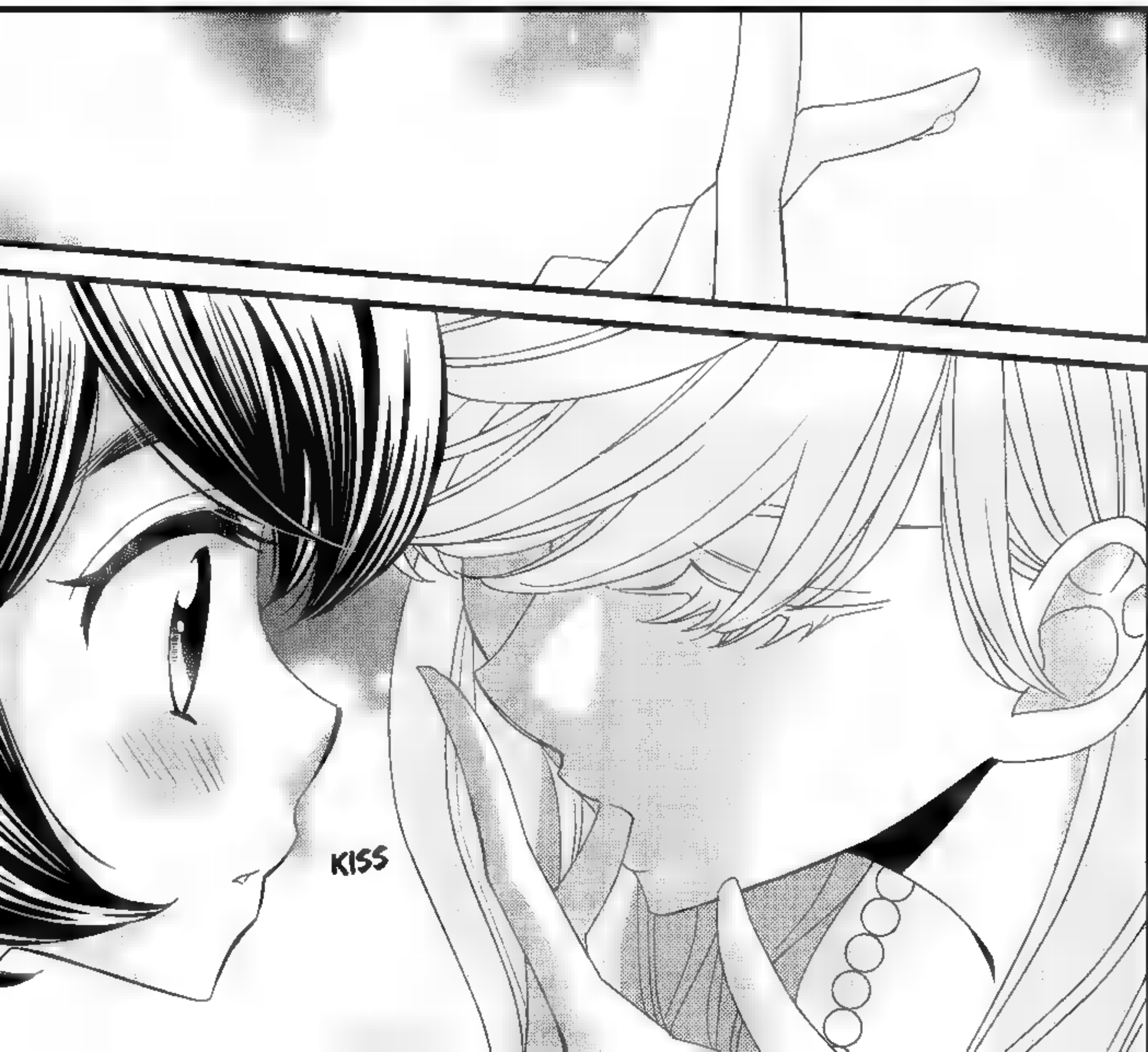
COTTON
CANDY AT AN
EYEGLOSS
STORE!
KINDA WEIRD,
RIGHT?

SHE
SAID THE
EYEGLOSS
STORE NEXT
DOOR GIVES
OUT COTTON
CANDY
EVERY
YEAR.

I WANT
TO BE BY
HER SIDE.

AS LONG AS
I CAN SPEND
TIME WITH HER,
THAT'S GOOD
ENOUGH FOR ME.









HANA-SAN SAID...

COULD THAT...

COULD THAT MEAN...

HER HEART WAS POUNDING.



DING
TOTO
DOOONG

OH!

SOUNDS LIKE MY MOM'S HOME.



HM?

GULP...



HA...

HANA-SAN...



WOW...

WHAT ON
EARTH
WAS I
THINK-
ING?



TP / 11"
タ TP
...

TP / 11"
タ TP



HANAAA?
ANYONE
HOOOME?

I'LL BE
RIGHT
BACK,
OKAY,
HINA-CHAN?

KA-
CHAK

I'M
HERE!
WELCOME
BACK!



THAT
WAS
CLOSE.

DOUBLE
YIKES.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
...

I
ALMOST
WENT
THERE.



AT THIS
RATE...

I SHOULDN'T
BE ALONE
WITH HER
AT ALL!





**I'M SO
HAPPY.**



**I'M HAPPY, BUT...
MY HEART HURTS.**

**BUT I...
I'M JUST SO HAPPY...!**

PLIP

IT'S NO USE.

I CAN'T HELP IT.

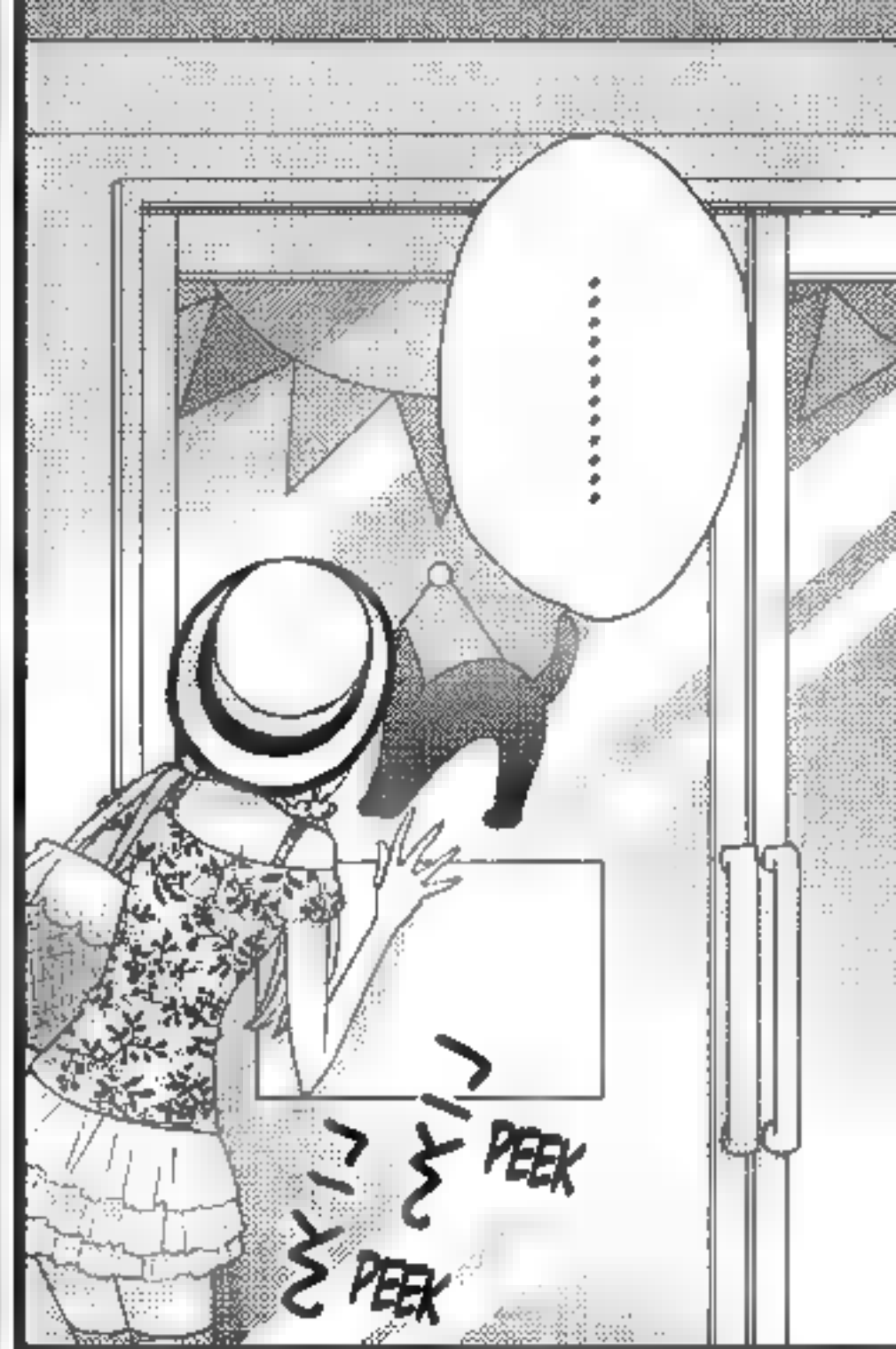


*I...
I LOVE HER.*



*I'M IN
LOVE...*

*WITH
HANA-SAN.*





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Hana & Hina

AFTER ♡ SCHOOL

TOMORROW
IS THE
FIRST DAY
OF SUMMER
VACATION.

CHATTER
ちやちや

STARTING
TOMORROW
WE CAN SLEEP
'TIL NOON,
WORRY-FREE!

ちやちや CHATTER

FINAL
EXAMS
WERE
OVER
BEFORE
I KNEW
IT.

THE
CLOSING
CERE-
MONIES
FLEW
BY, TOO.

CHAPTER II

YEAH,
IT'S
GREAT!

HUH?
WHAT
THING?

?

THE
SECRET
THING?

C'MON,
YOU
KNOW...

ARE
YOU STILL
GONNA DO
THAT THING
DURING
SUMMER
BREAK?





I EVEN
DRAGGED
HER
TO MY
HOUSE.

I WAS
JUST SO
HAPPY TO
SEE HINA-
CHAN'S
FACE YES-
TERDAY...

BUT I
FORGOT
HOW
AWKWARD
THINGS
WERE
BETWEEN
US
BEFORE.



YUP!
SEE, THE
OTHER
DAY...

YOU SAY
THAT,
BUT YOU
LOOK
PRETTY
HAPPY.



OH,
THAT'S
RIGHT...



BLUSH



THANK
GOODNESS
HINA-CHAN
ACTED
NORMALLY.

THANKS
TO
THAT...

I'M SO
STUPID
SOME-
TIMES...

I FEEL LIKE
WE WERE
ABLE TO
CLOSE THE
DISTANCE
BETWEEN US
A LITTLE.

THE
DISTANCE...









STARTING
AT
NOON.

OH,
YEAH.

HASEGAWA-
CHAN,
ARE YOU
WORKING
TODAY?

YEAH,
SURE.

I'M
PRETTY
HUNGRY,
TOO!



I'M
SOOOO
HUNGRY!

WANT
TO GET
SOME
LUNCH
SOME-
WHERE
FIRST?



BUT THE
FIRE-
WORKS...



I
SHOULDN'T
BE SO
SELFISH.

TAKAGI-
SAN'S
GROUP
THOUGHT
OF IT
FIRST.

HMM...

WHERE
DO YOU
WANNA GO?
MCD'S?
BURGER
KING?

AND WE'LL
HAVE THE
SAME
WORK
SCHEDULE
STARTING
NEXT
MONTH.

PLUS,
THERE'S
THE
SUMMER
FAIR...



FIDGET
FIDGET

HINA-
CHAN'S
PROBABLY
HOME BY
NOW.

OR
MAYBE
SHE'S
HANGING
OUT WITH
FRIENDS,
SINCE WE
HAD A HALF
DAY AT
SCHOOL.

SHUFFLE

I
WONDER
...
IF SHE
MADE
PLANS TO
GO TO THE
FIREWORKS
WITH
TAKAGI-
SAN YET.

SHUFFLE

FANTASY SHOP
POPURI



I'M
GONNA GO
ORGANIZE
SOME
MERCHAN-
DISE.

REALLY?
YOU SEEM
KINDA
RESTLESS,
SO I JUST
ASSUMED...

YOU LOOK
LIKE YOU'RE
HOLDING
IT IN.



JING-
A-
LING

OH!
WELCOME
TO OUR
SHOP!

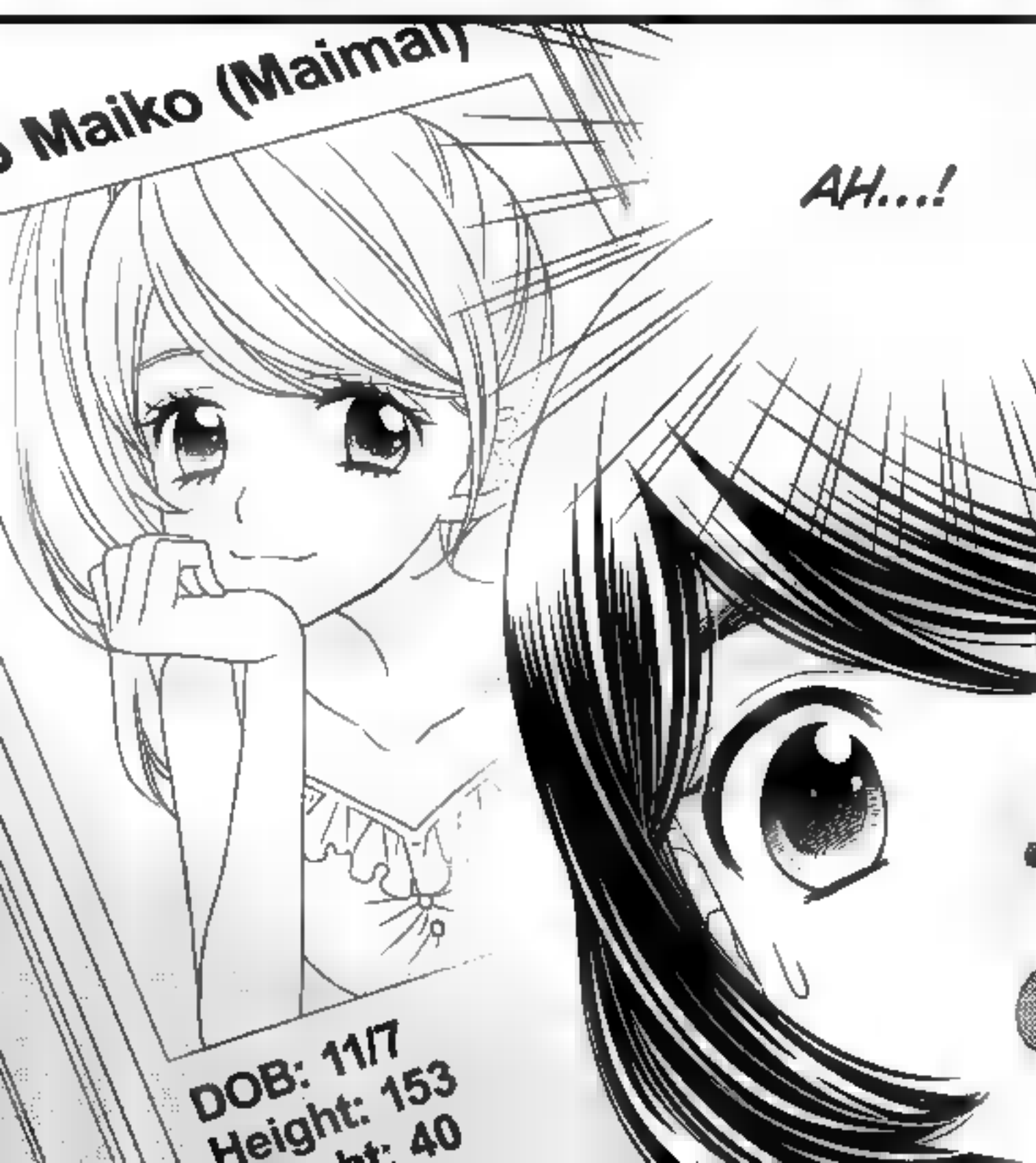


UH,
HASEKAWA-
SAN...

I'M FINE
IF YOU
WANT TO
GO TO THE
BATHROOM.

HUH?

NO,
I'M ALL
RIGHT.
THANKS.





TWIRL

GOSH,
WHAT'S A
GIRL TO
DO?

I'VE
HARDLY
EVEN AP-
PEARED IN
ANY MAGS
LATELY...

OH NO!
I'VE BEEN
SPOTTED,
HUH?



MAI...

MAI...
KO...
CHAN?

!!



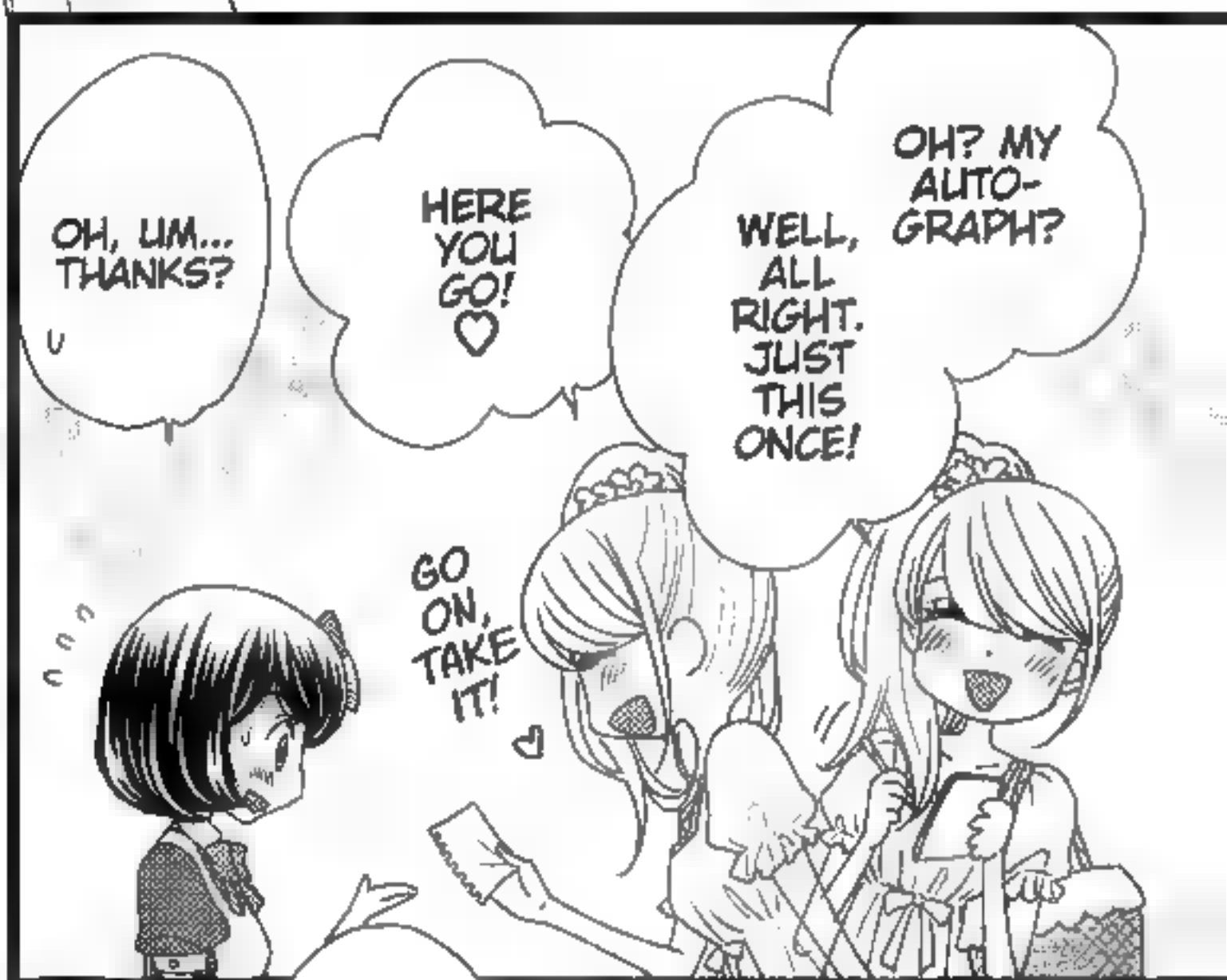
BUT
THEY
JUST
DON'T
SUIT MY
FACE!

I GUESS
I SHOULD
START
WEARING
SUN-
GLASSES
?

IS
THIS A
COINCI-
DENCE?

I'M
GUESS-
ING
NOT...

WHAT
SHOULD
I DO?



OH, UM...
THANKS?

HERE
YOU
GO!
♡

OH? MY
AUTO-
GRAPH?
WELL,
ALL
RIGHT.
JUST
THIS
ONCE!

GO
ON,
TAKE
IT!
♡

HINA-
CHAN'S
OLD
FRIEND.

SO,
IT IS
HER...

OOO
MAIKO
♡



! YOU KNOW ABOUT HINAKO?

UM... ARE YOU HERE TO SEE HINA-CHAN?



AHA HA HA! I SEE!

I GUESS IF YOU KNOW ME, IT MAKES SENSE YOU'D KNOW HER TOO.



SHE SURE IS LIVELY...

THAT'S TWO TRIPS WASTED!

BUT HINA-CHAN'LL BE HERE TOMORROW!

UM... SORRY ABOUT THAT...

HINAKO'S SISTER MUST'VE TOLD ME THE WRONG SCHEDULE!

WHAAT?! ARE YOU KIDDING ME?!



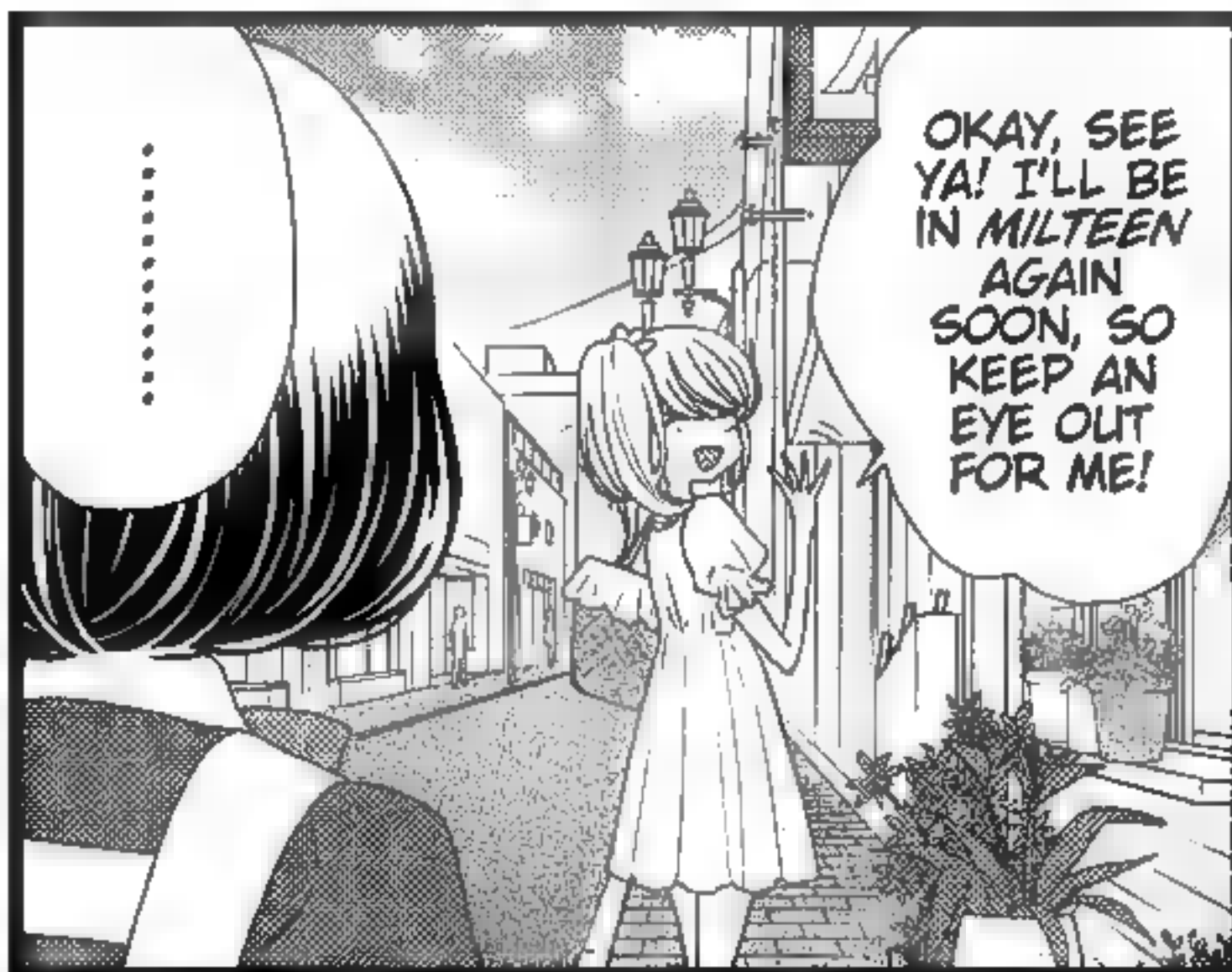
Y-YEAH... OH, BUT...

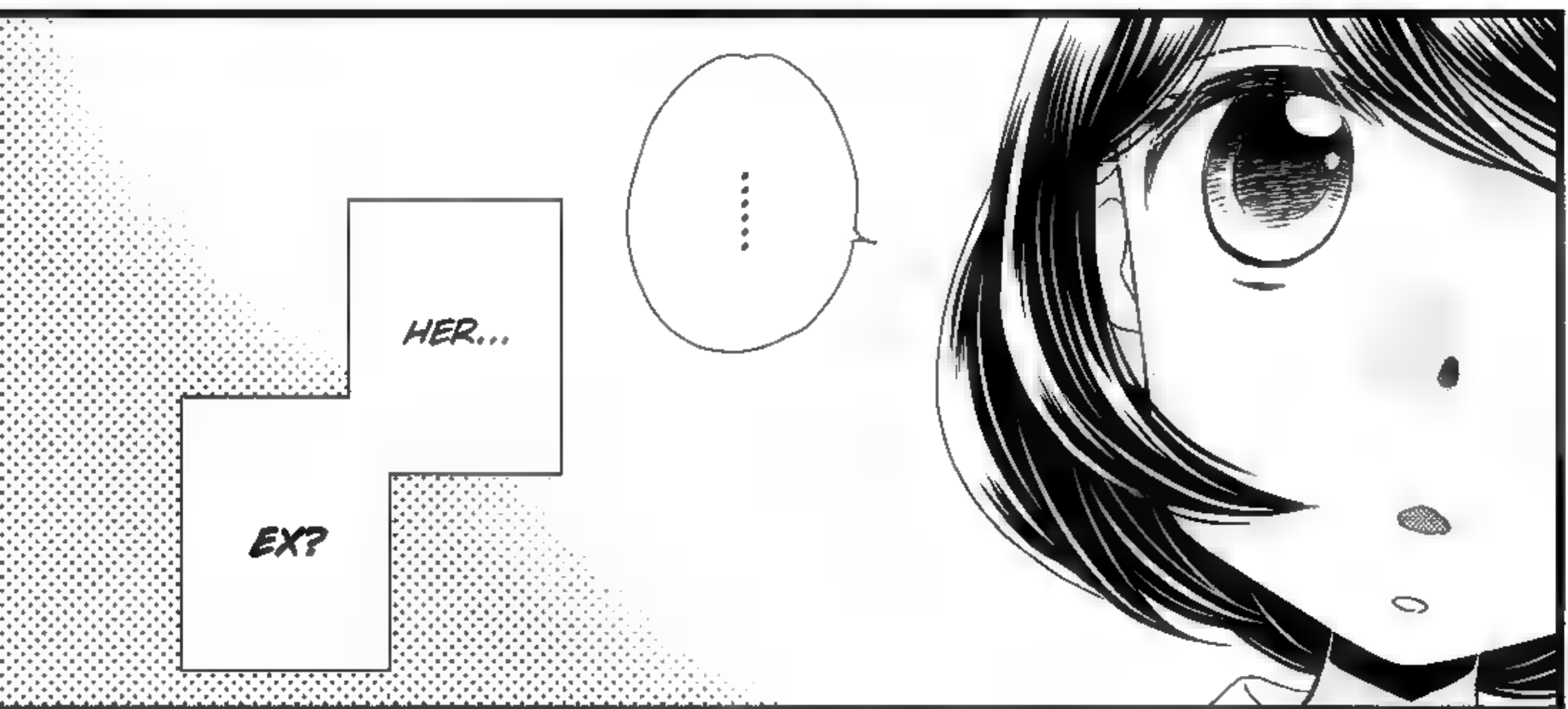
TODAY IS ONE OF HER DAYS OFF, SO...

IS HINAKO AROUND? SHE WORKS HERE, RIGHT?















FOR SURE!
AND DIDN'T
WE GET
SOME VIVI-
CHAN AND
PENEROTTE
COLLAB
GOODS?

SO, UM,
YOU'RE
SHOPPING,
HUH? FOR
POKOTAN
STUFF?

AH,
DON'T
WORRY,
IT'S
NOTHING
...



AH!

WHAT'S
WRONG,
HANA-SAN?

"YOUR
EX CAME
TO SEE
YOU!"



WHAT
SHOULD I
DO ABOUT
THE FIRE-
WORKS?

SHOULD
I INVITE
HER?

IT'S
OKAY
FOR ME
TO DO
THAT,
RIGHT?

MAYBE IF
I BUY THE
CLEAR FILE
AND MEMO
PAD...

HMM...
I CAN'T
MAKE UP
MY MIND.

WHICH
ONE
ARE YOU
GETTING?

OH
YEAH!
THIS
STUFF,
RIGHT?
IT'S SO
CUTE!





BUT...
SHE
MIGHT
NOT HAVE
BEEN
JUST A
FRIEND...

SHOULD
I JUST
ASK
HINA-
CHAN
ABOUT
IT?

I-I'LL
TAKE
THESE,
PLEASE...

ONCE
SUMMER
BREAK
STARTS,
I WON'T
SEE HANA-
SAN AT
SCHOOL...

SO I
THOUGHT
COMING HERE
TO SHOP
WOULD BE
THE BEST WAY
TO SPEND
SOME TIME
WITH HER.

OH,
O-O-KAY!



GLANCE

I MEAN
THAT
GIRL...

I KNOW I
SHOULDN'T
GET SO
HUNG UP
ON WHAT
HER FRIEND
SAID, BUT...

.....



WORRY
てん

WE'LL
HAVE THE
SAME
SCHEDULE
AGAIN
STARTING IN
AUGUST...

WORRY
てん
てん
てん
WORRY

I DON'T
WANT TO
MESS
THINGS UP
AGAIN.

GLOOM
てん
てん

BUT...
SHE TOLD
ME NOT
TO TELL
HINA-
CHAN...

SO I
SHOULD BE
CAREFUL
NOT TO COME
HERE TO
SHOP TOO
OFTEN.

ACT
COOL. I
DEFINITELY
DON'T WANT
HER TO
THINK I'M
WEIRD.

てん
てん
GLOOM

AND
HINA-CHAN
GOT MAD
WHEN I
BROUGHT
HER UP
BEFORE.

てん
てん
GLOOM







SATURDAY?
NO, NOT
REALLY.
I'M NOT
WORKING OR
ANYTHING.

DO YOU
NEED
SOMEONE
TO COVER
A SHIFT?



HINA-
CHAN,
DO YOU
HAVE ANY
[REDACTED] FOR
THE LAST
SATURDAY
OF THE
MONTH?



WHA
...?!

THE
FIRE-
WORKS
?!

I...!

Y-YES!
I'D
LOVE
TO!!



IF YOU'RE
FREE THAT
DAY, DO YOU
WANT TO
GO SEE THE
FIREWORKS
TOGETHER?

THE
ONES BY
SUMIDA
RIVER.





I'LL
TELL
HER
NEXT
TIME...

COME TO
THINK OF
IT, HINA'S
SHIFTS ARE
CHANGING
BACK NEXT
MONTH...

SHOULD
I HAVE
TOLD
HER
FRIEND?

WELL,
NO BIG
DEAL...

I STILL
HAVE
QUESTIONS
ABOUT
HER AND
HINAKO...

BUT
RIGHT
NOW,
ALL THAT
MATTERS
IS...

AH...

FIRE-
WORKS!

I
WONDER
WHAT I
SHOULD
WEAR?





.....
Hana & Hina
AFTER ♡ SCHOOL

CHAPTER 12





PEEK

FOCUSED
真剣...

.....

.....?

IS
THAT THIS
MONTH'S
MILTEEN?
SOMETHING
GOOD IN
THERE?

THEY
WERE ALL
OUT OF
SPF SO...

HEY,
HINAKO,
DO YOU
HAVE
ANY
SUN-
SCREEN?



OUR
VERY
BEST

SUMMER
DATE
OUTFITS

Keep
his
eyes
on you
during
the big
event!



THE
ZOO?
THE
BEACH?

WHERE
ARE YOU
GONNA
GO?

DATE
OUTFITS,
HUH?

RIGHT?
BUT PASTEL
COLORS
DON'T
REALLY
SUIT ME...

WOW,
THAT
SKIRT
IS SOOO
CUTE!

SQUEE!

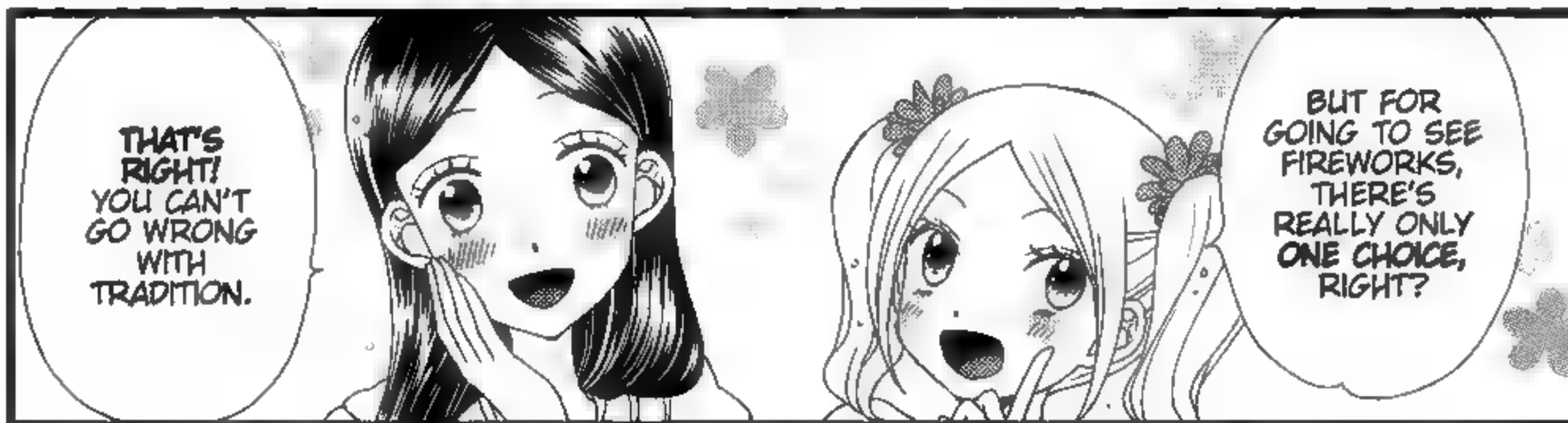
SQUEE!

HMM,
BUT I BET
THESE
PANTS
WOULD
LOOK GREAT
ON YOU!

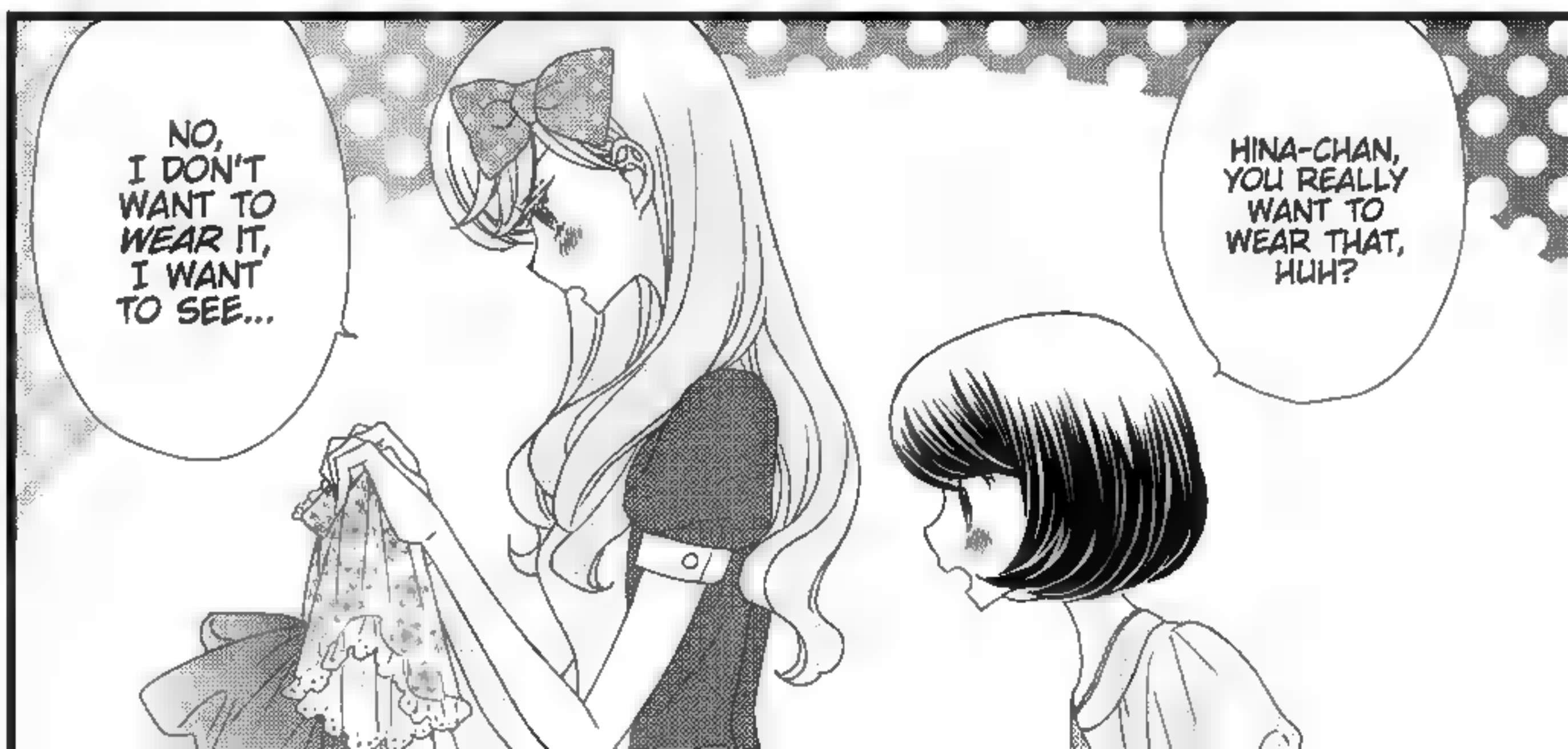
YEAH,
THOSE
PANTS
MIGHT
WORK...

MILTEEN











HEY,
ABOUT
THE FIRE-
WORKS...

HUH?

WH-
WHAT
IS IT?
DON'T
TELL
ME...

DID SHE
CHANGE
HER
MIND?!



I JUST
DROPPED
SANGO OFF
AT THE
GROOMING
SALON.

I
HAVE AN
HOUR TO
KILL 'TIL I
PICK HER
UP, SO I
THOUGHT
I'D STOP
BY!

?!

HANA-
SAN?!
WHAT
ARE
YOU--?!



AH,
I MEAN,
IF I
GET THE
CHANCE,
OF
COURSE...

GOD, I
SOUND
SO DES-
PERATE!

...

O-OH,
I SEE...
SANGO-
CHAN, EH?
HOW CUTE!
I'D LIKE TO
SEE HER
AGAIN...

CALM
DOWN,
HANA...



WELL...I
THOUGHT
IT MIGHT
BE NICE
TO GO THE
TRADITIONAL
ROUTE.

OH, SO
YOU'RE
GOING
TO BUY
ONE?

BUT I
DON'T
KNOW
HOW TO
PUT ONE
ON...

ARE YOU
GETTING
THAT
ONE?

WILL IT
FIT?



WHA
--?!

H-HOW
DID YOU
KNOW?!

AH,
WELL, I
HAVEN'T
BOUGHT
ONE YET,
BUT...

WHAT
ARE YOU
GOING TO
WEAR?

ARE YOU
GOING TO
WEAR A
YUKATA...?







I'M HER EX!

I GUESS IT'S ON MY MIND NOW BECAUSE OF WHAT THAT GIRL SAID...

GOSH, I SHOULD BE USED TO SEEING HINA-CHAN IN HER UNDERWEAR BY NOW. WE SHARE A CHANGING ROOM AT WORK AFTER ALL...

UM... Y-YEAH...

YOU WRAP 'EM AROUND YOUR TUMMY...

BLUSH



BUT MY MOM ALWAYS WRAPS THEM TOO TIGHT...

IT CAN BE KINDA HARD TO BREATHE!



AH, I GUESS WE CAN PUT ON THE YUKATA SLIPS.

I'LL GO GET ANOTHER TOWEL, OKAY? WAIT RIGHT HERE.

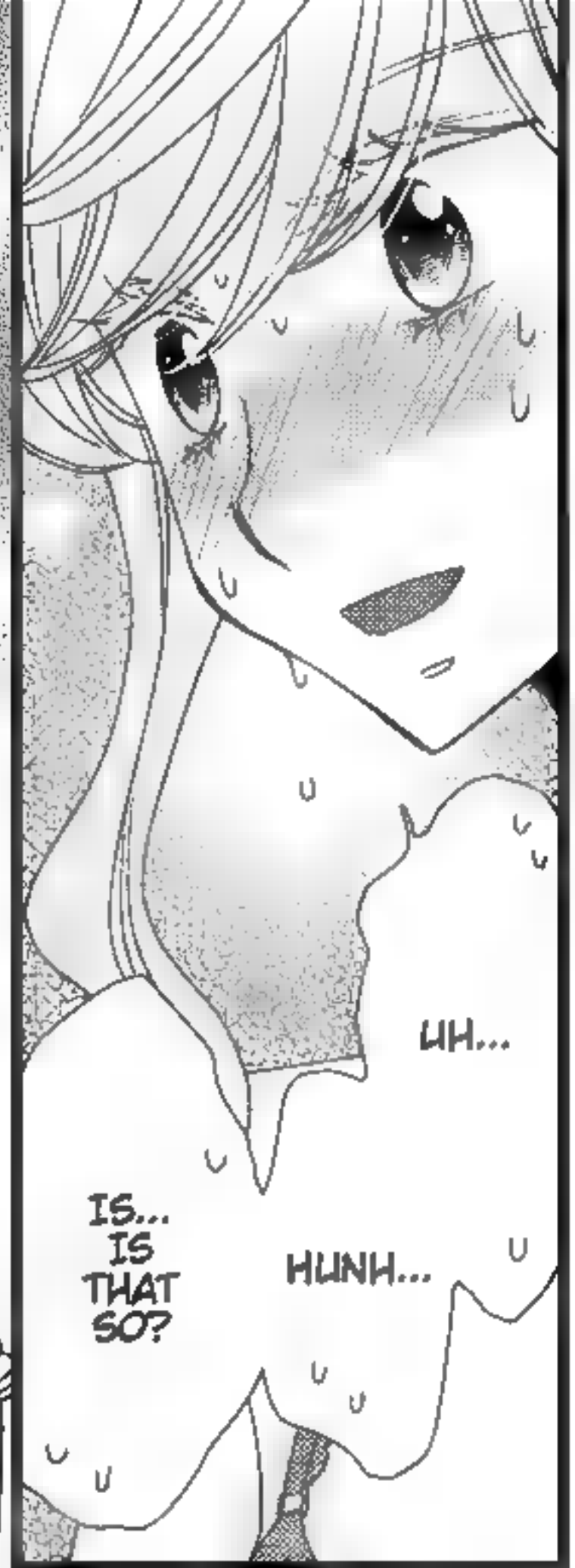
GOODNESS, YOU ARE THIN!



SEE, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO WEAR THIS, THEN WRAP THE TOWEL AROUND OVER IT...

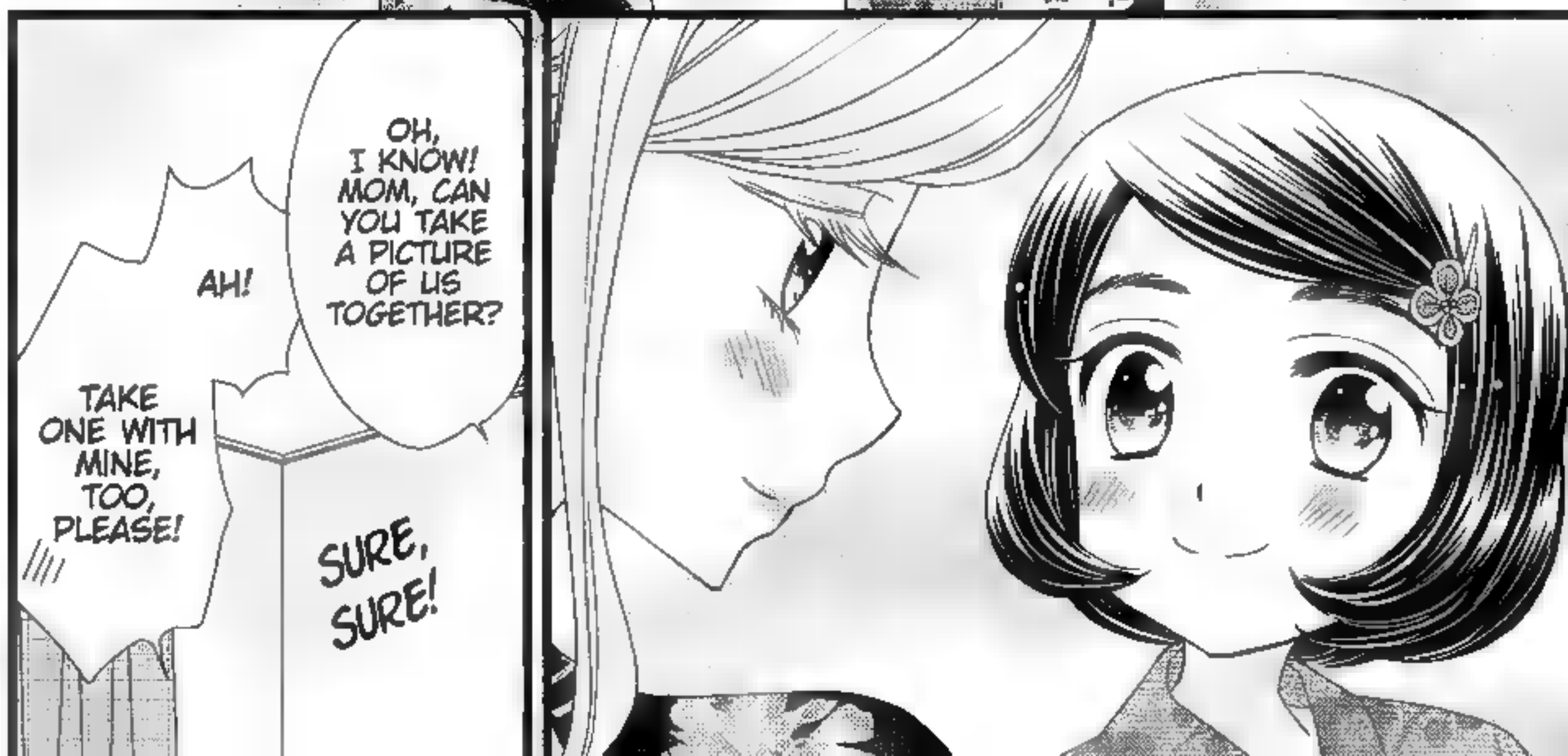
SLIDE

!!





YOU TWO
LOOK
ADORABLE!

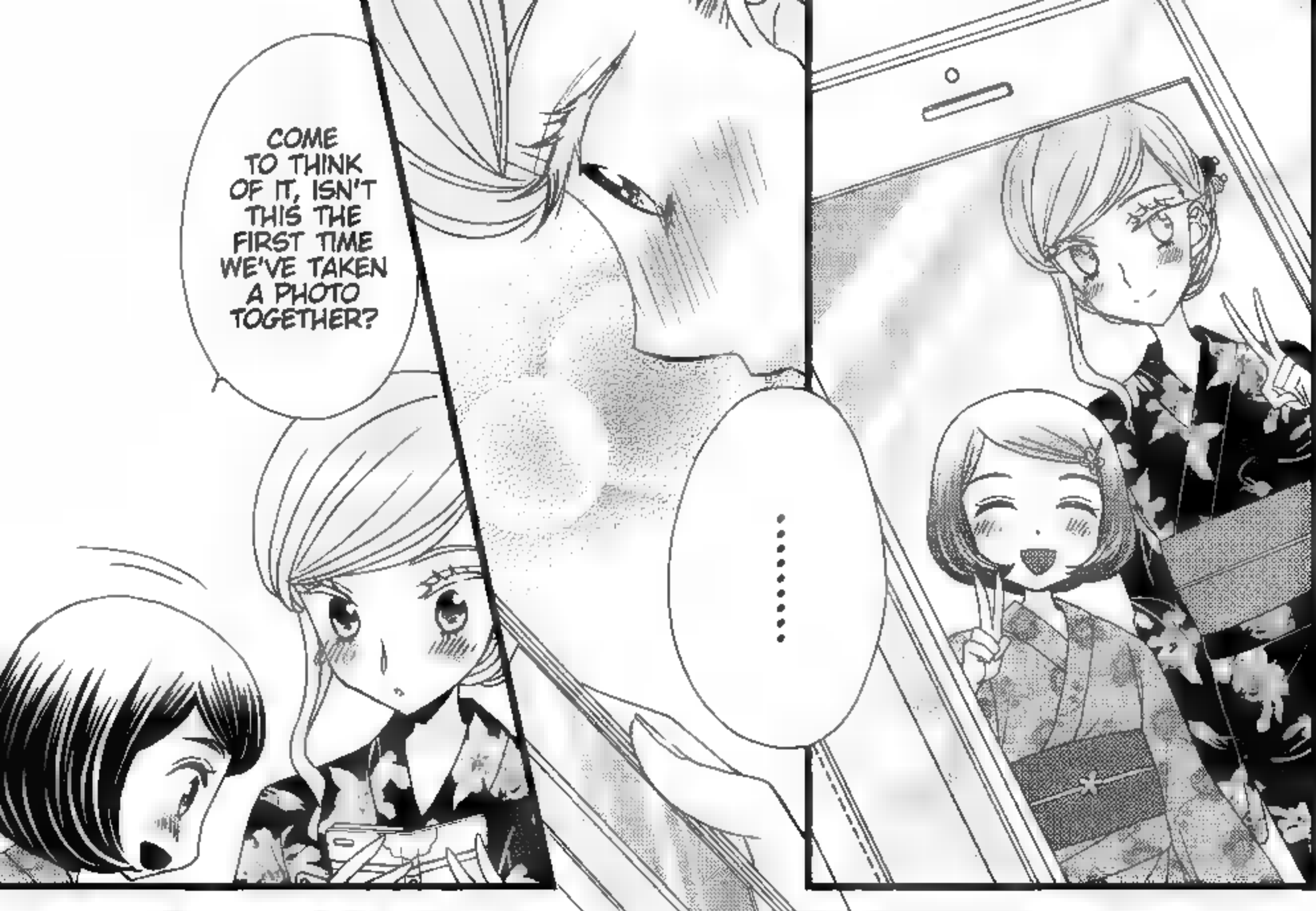


OH,
I KNOW!
MOM, CAN
YOU TAKE
A PICTURE
OF US
TOGETHER?

AH!

TAKE
ONE WITH
MINE,
TOO,
PLEASE!

SURE,
SURE!





I MIGHT
START TO
THINK THAT
SHE LIKES
ME LIKE
THAT.

I
WORRY
THAT I'M
GETTING
THE
WRONG
IDEA.

WHEN
SHE
SMILES
AT ME
LIKE
THAT...



THE
SAME
WAY...

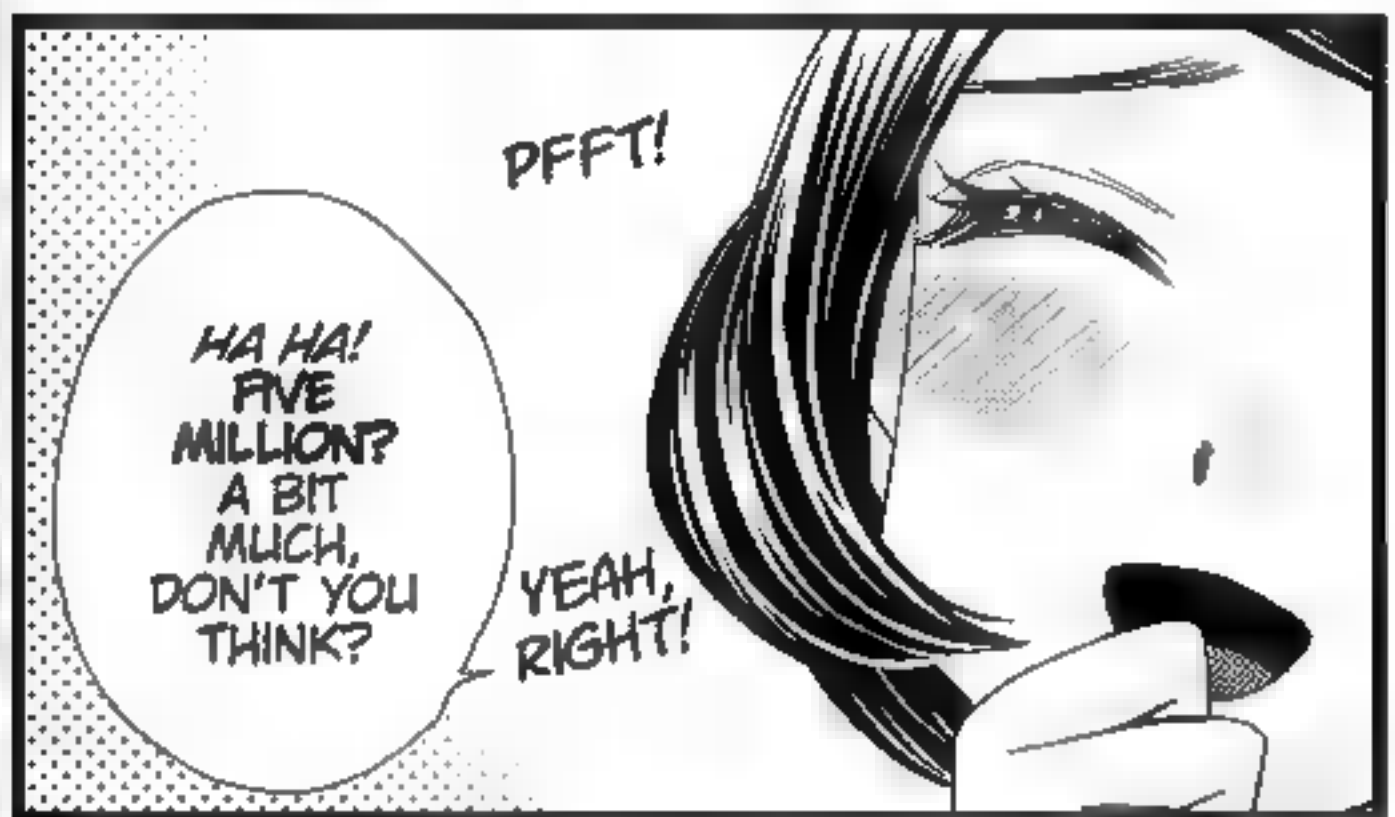
SHE
LIKED
THAT
GIRL...

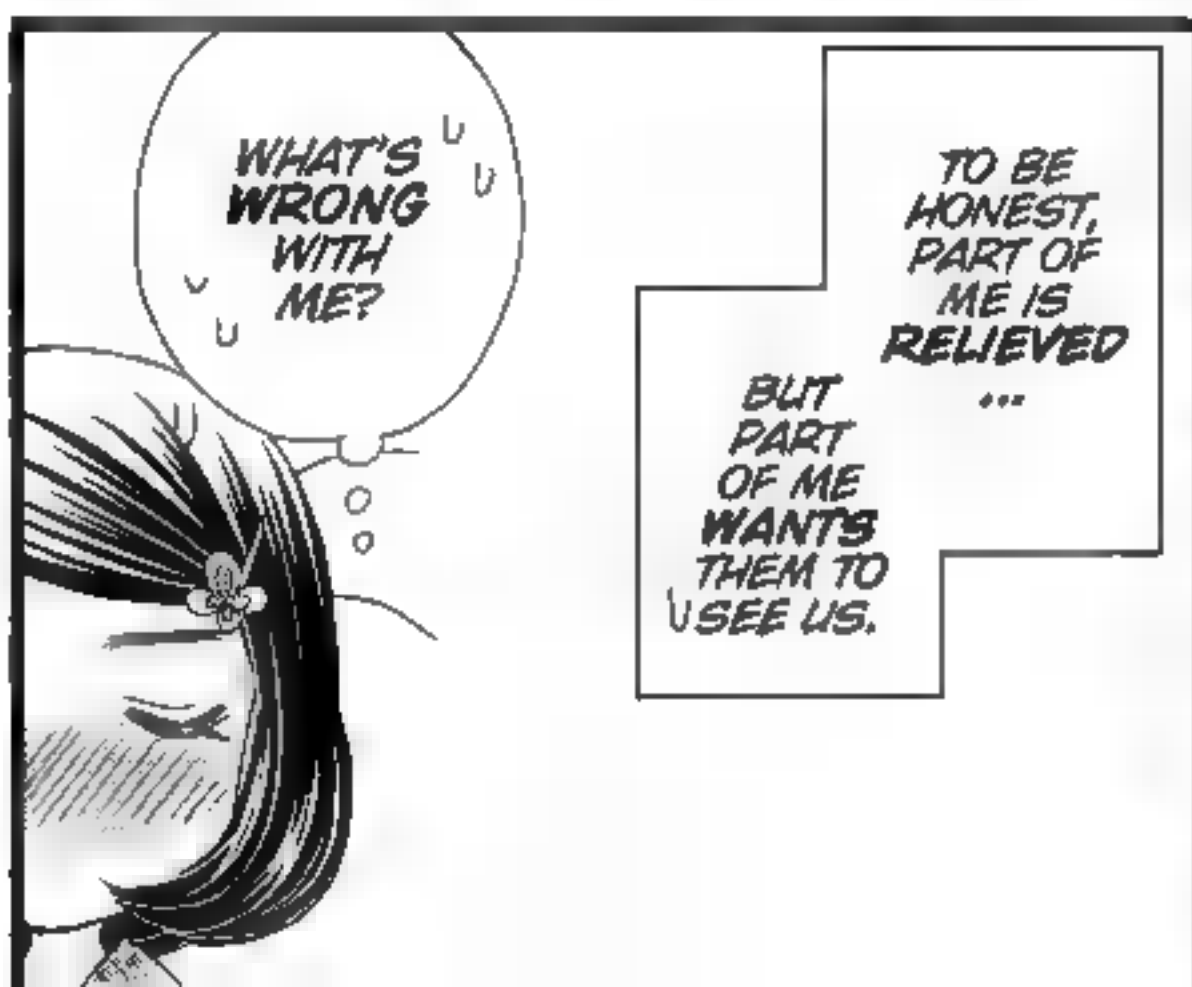
OR
SOME-
THING...

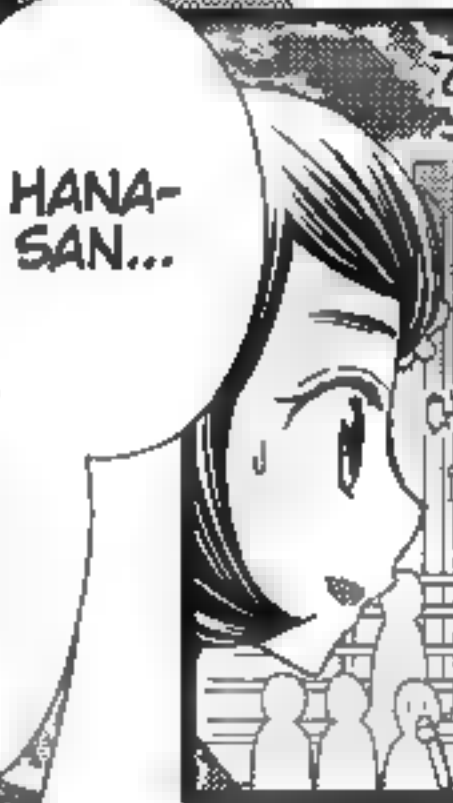


SOO
CUTE!

WOW,
THOSE
YUKATA
ARE
BEAUTIFUL!









HINA-CHAN'S
HAND
FEELS
NICE
AND
COOL.

AMID THE
BUSTLING
CROWDS OF
PEOPLE...

AND THE
SWELTER-
ING
HEAT...

HINA-CHAN
SEEMS
SO
SERENE.

LIKE
CLEAR,
PURE
WATER.



S-
SURE.

SHOULD
WE BUY
SOME
DRINKS?





HINA-
CHAN
IS SO
CLOSE...

I CAN
FEEL...

HER
WARMTH
THROUGH
OUR
CLOTHES.



SHOULD
WE FIND
SOME-
WHERE
ELSE...?

IT'S A
LITTLE
CRAMPED,
ISN'T
IT?

// I...

TH-THIS
IS FINE!

THEY'LL
STARTING
ANY MINUTE
NOW,
ANYWAY...



GULP...

I SEE...

SO, HINA-CHAN IS HOT, TOO...

HER HAND FELT COOL, THOUGH...



PHEW!

IT'S AWFULLY HUMID, ISN'T IT?



AH!

LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE ABOUT TO START.

CHATTER CHATTER

MY HEART'S BEEN POUNDING...

FOR A WHILE NOW.

Y-YEAH!

SEEMS THAT WAY!

IT MUST BE BECAUSE THE FIREWORKS ARE ABOUT TO START.





PWOOM!

WOW...

PWOOM!

OH,
WOW!

THEY'RE
SO
PRETTY!

RIGHT...

HANA-
SAN?

PWOOM!



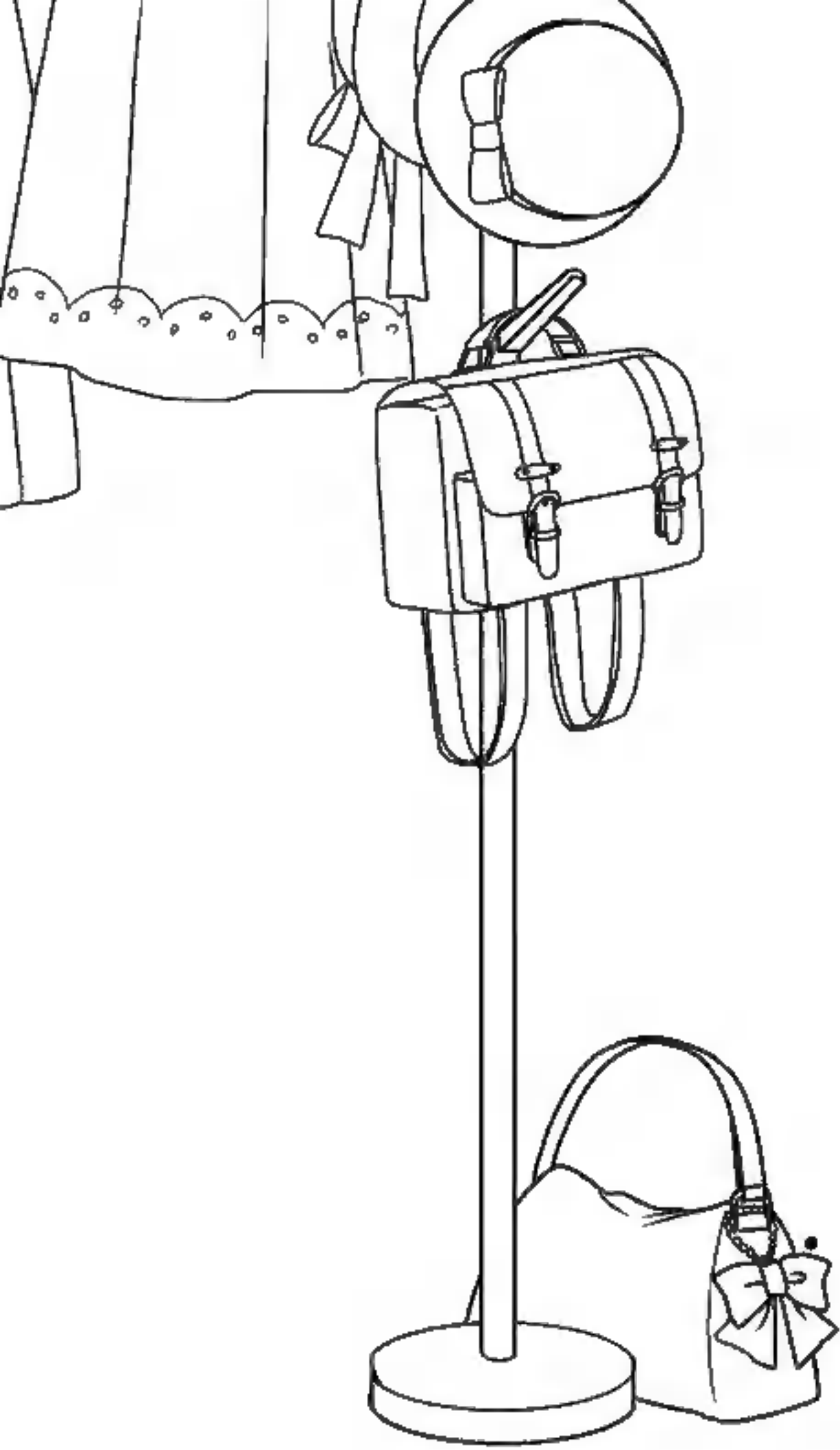
DEEP
IN MY
CHEST...

I
FELT
AS IF...

A
FLOWER
HAD
BLOOMED.

BUT MY
POUNDING
HEART...

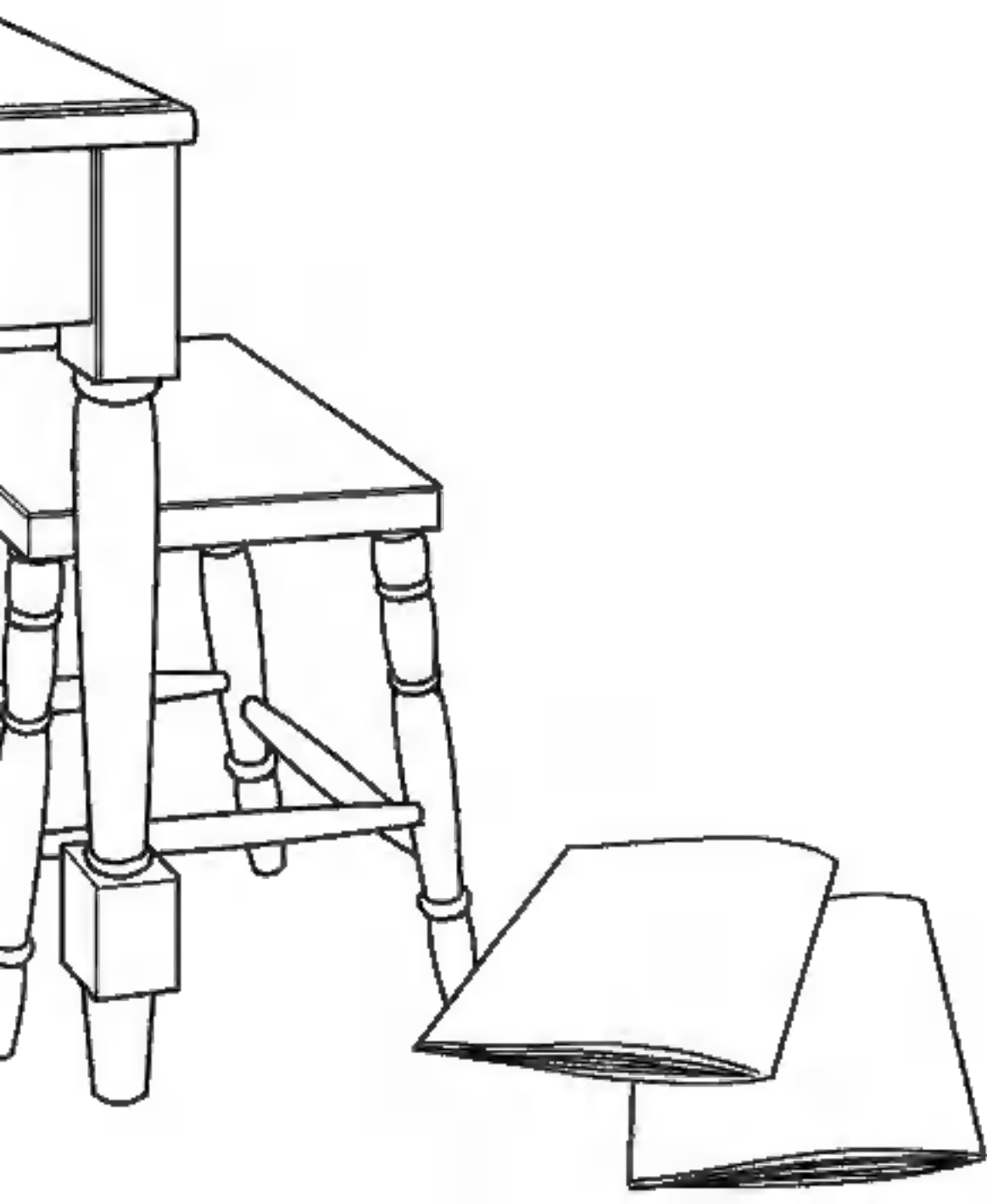
FINALLY
BURST
OPEN.



Hana & Hina AFTER SCHOOL

.....

TO BE CONTINUED...



IT'S
BECAUSE I
NEVER GO
OUTSIDE...

I'VE
LOST
SOME
WEIGHT,
BUT NO
FAT...



STEP MACHINE

THIS IS VOLUME 2! THANKS FOR
PICKING IT UP... AND FOR BUYING IT.
REALLY!! THANK YOU SO MUCH!

LA LA LA!! I'M MORINAGA. IN THESE
DAYS WHEN SO FEW MAGAZINES WILL
PRINT YURI, I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO
BE ABLE TO DRAW A MULTI-VOLUME
SERIES. IT'S ALL THANKS TO
EVERYONE WHO BOUGHT VOLUME 1.

AH, I'M STILL ON A DIET.

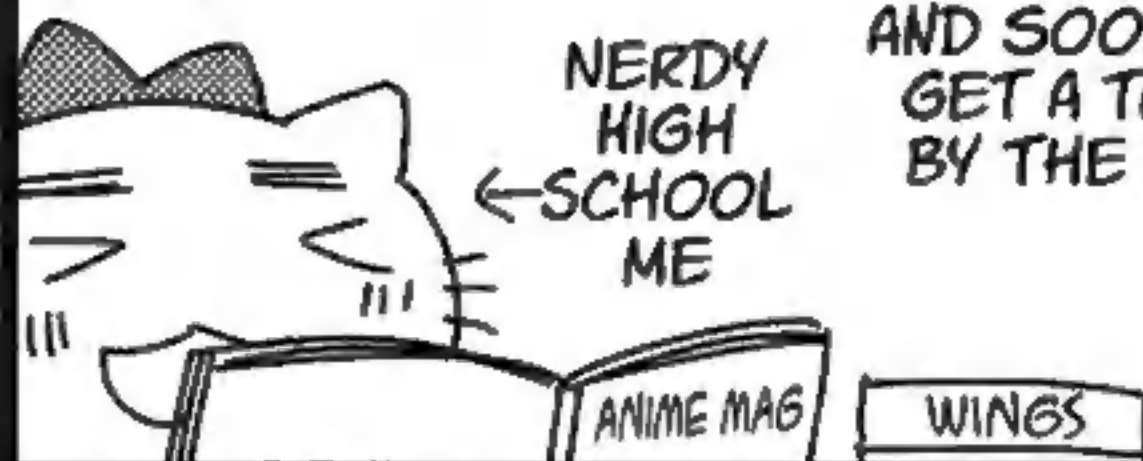
MUST BE
BECAUSE
SHE WAS
IN
OOTEEN
...

OO-CHAN
GOT
CALLED
INTO THE
OFFICE!

EVERY TIME I READ
THESE MAGAZINES,
I REMEMBER WHEN I
WAS A HIGH SCHOOL
GIRL, AND MY CUTE
CLASSMATES AND
SENPAI WOULD GET
STOPPED FOR PHOTOS
AFTER SCHOOL IN THEIR
UNIFORMS AND STUFF,
AND THOSE PHOTOS
WOULD APPEAR IN MAGA-
ZINES. THEN OTHERS
WOULD GET JEALOUS,
AND SOON WE'D ALL
GET A TALKING TO
BY THE TEACHER.



NERDY
HIGH
SCHOOL
ME



HOW MANY
TIMES DO
I HAVE TO
DO THIS?!

MOM→

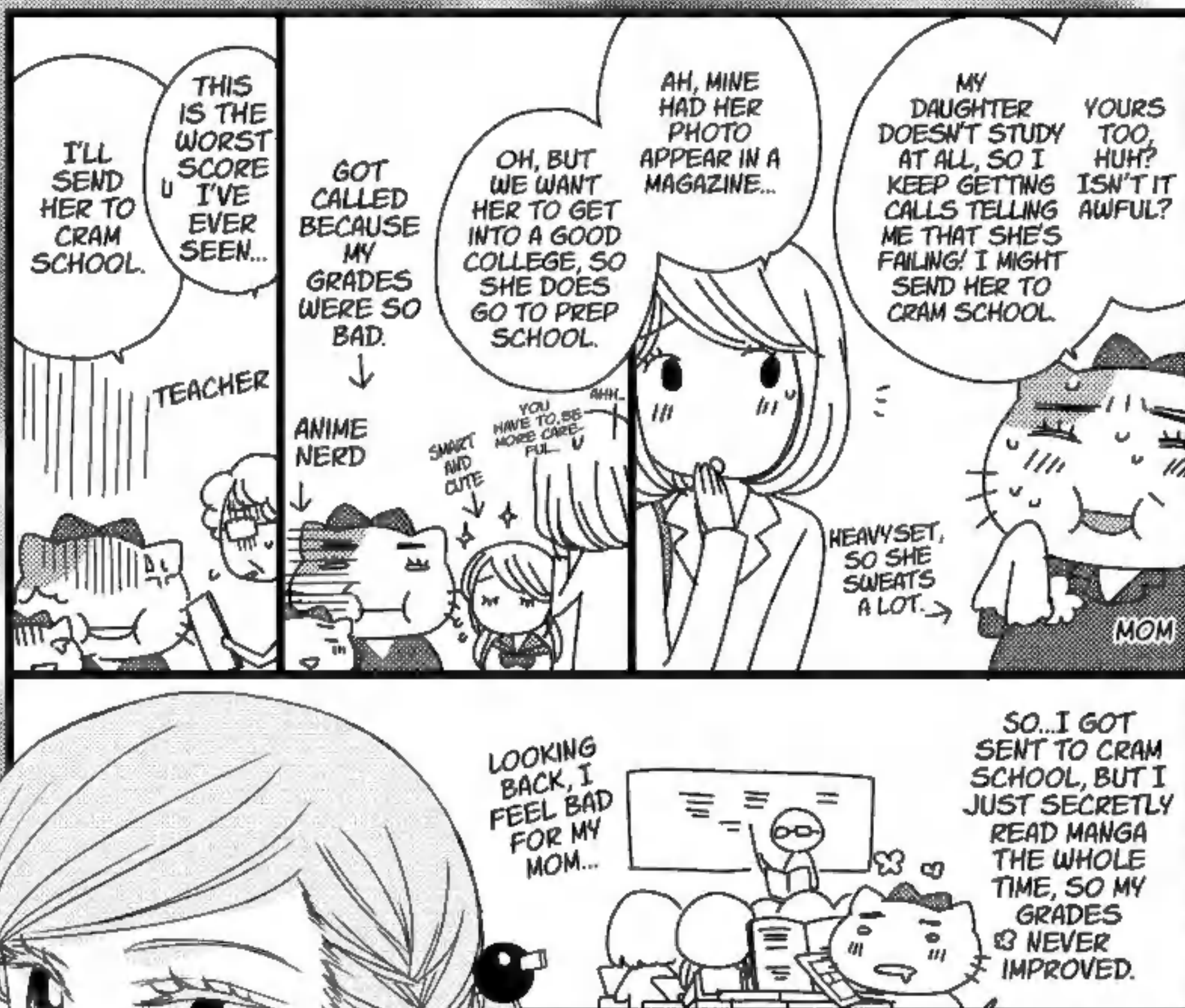
HEH...

MY PARENTS
USED TO GET A
LOT OF CALLS
FROM THE
SCHOOL, TOO.
SO I REMEMBER
BEING IN THE
WAITING ROOM
WITH CUTE
GIRLS AND
THEIR PARENTS
SOMETIMES.

BUT I DO
RECOMMEND
IT FOR
RELAXING...

AH, MY
WEARINESS
IS FADING
AWAY...





THE NEXT VOLUME WILL SHOW THE REST OF THE FIREWORKS DATE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THESE TWO AS THEIR STORY UNFOLDS. I'LL KEEP WORKING HARD, SO I HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT VOLUME!!

MILK MORINAGA

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